forgotten the lessons learned when they first joined the church. Last month, I visited a parish that had been through a very challenging time. This parish is not located in our diocese. Still, as Presiding Bishop, I was asked to assist in the healing process, helping to restore the parish to spiritual health. As part of the process, I met with several members of the congregation. I asked what they needed. Several mentioned that they wanted to keep their liturgy exactly the same. Many in this group could not seem to move beyond this point. Some had dug in their heels on this one issue. While we do love our liturgical forms, I witnessed a parish that was in dire need of healing and reconciliation, a parish that needed pastoral care and guidance. The members of the parish needed to learn how to restore trust. And they needed to grieve. All that would need to happen before the parish could return to spiritual health.

Most parishes do not go through such challenging times, but it is necessary to maintain spiritual health in all our congregations. Pastoral care is paramount in such cases. But knowledge of the Christian faith is absolutely crucial. To paraphrase William Faulkner, I offer this statement: “People to whom 'grace' and 'faith' are just words, 'salvation' is just words too.” I don't think William Faulkner will mind so much my playing around with his text. Essentially, we are saying the same thing: grace, faith and salvation, like other important concepts, are not just words. They are deep ideas that bring life and sustenance to God's people.

As we know, The Book of Common Prayer is essential to our spiritual life and worship. Most of us are very familiar with the offices of Morning and Evening Prayer and, of course, Holy Communion.
We are also familiar with several other rites that appear in the prayer book. But there are a few offices that are given less attention these days. One of these is the “Offices of Instruction”, which is found on page 283 of the prayer book. Since my own confirmation many years ago, I wonder whether it is read at all, much less observed. But this office provides instruction in the basic tools of our theology. And I invite you all to read over the few pages of this often neglected part of our prayer book. The “Offices of Instruction” are also necessary reading for our clergy. Sometimes, during canonical examinations, candidates for holy orders will express an understanding of deep ecclesiastical issues, yet will struggle to express the essentials of the faith as presented in the “Offices of Instruction” and, indeed, within the catechism itself. We recite the words of the creed at every major service in our church. What do those words mean? I guarantee you, they are much more than just words.

My brothers and sisters in Christ, I pray that your Summer has been restful and refreshing. I look forward to seeing you all in your parish churches. I look forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming diocesan synod in Maine. This synod promises to be truly spectacular!

Your Brother in Christ,

+Brian
Notes from the Secretary

Hope your summer has been restful and revitalizing. At St. Elizabeth’s August is a time for us to visit other churches in our area and meet new people. For the past several years we have closed during that month since most of our parishioners (and clergy) go away on vacation. Yours truly has not done any traveling this summer except to the orthopedist, physical therapist and chiropractor while Russ continues to recover from a total knee replacement. Despite that, we’ve enjoyed outdoor concerts (many of which Russ played in), family gatherings and the lazy, hazy days of summer.

Congratulations to Thomas Stone (Holy Cross) who was ordained to the priesthood on August 18th. Two ordinations to the Diaconate will be taking place within the next couple of months. Scott Chase will be ordained in September and James Hogan will be ordained at the Diocesan Synod in October. May God bless all of these men in their ministries.

Fr. Gary Drinkwater (Anglican Church of the Transfiguration) and postulant Steve Bunnell attended the Standing Committee meeting in May. Steve serves as a sub-deacon at Transfiguration and he met in the morning with the Board of Examining Chaplains.

Fr. Gary enthusiastically spoke of the plans in progress at Transfiguration, hosts of the 2018 Diocesan Synod in October. Last year, due to a back problem, I missed the first Synod since becoming your secretary in 2001. Happily, this year I’m healed and looking forward to seeing all of you in Poland Spring.

At our last Standing Committee meeting, Treasurer Kathy Lippman reported that many parishes had not yet sent in their 2018 National Church support payments. I remind you that this amount is based on the number of voting communicants as reported on your 2017 annual parochial report (i.e., $30 per Voting Communicant). If your parish is unsure of this number or would like a statement of what’s been paid to date, please contact Kathy or me. As I’ve noted in the past, the diocese is canonically required to support the operational expenses of the ACA National Church based on the total number of communicants in the diocese each year. Any shortfall in parish receipts must be made up by the diocese. Your commitment to meeting this obligation is vital to the financial health of your diocese. The diocese receives financial grants and assistance from the ACA for such things as missionary growth, evangelism and youth programs (e.g., summer camp). All checks should be made out payable to the Diocese of the Northeast and noted for National Church.

Many thanks to Fr. Mirabile and all who helped with the summer camp program. We’ve been blessed to have Fr. Matt donate his time and talents to continue this wonderful program started so many years ago. Over the years many young lives have been spiritually enriched, friendships made, and happy memories instilled in the hearts of both campers and counselors.

God bless all of you and enjoy the rest of the summer. See you in October!

-----Peace, Linnea

St. Michael and All Angels

“Ye that excel in strength”

Service and strength, God’s Angels and Archangels;
His Seraphs fires, and lamps his Cherubim:
Glory to God from highest and from lowest,
Glory to God in everlasting hymn
From all his creatures.

Princes that serve, and Powers that work his pleasure,
Heights that soar toward him,
Depths that sink toward him;
Flames fire out-flaming, chill beside his Essence;
Insight all-probing, save where scant and dim
Toward its Creator.

Sacred and free exultant in God’s pleasure,
His will their solace, thus they wait on him;
And shout their shout of ecstasy eternal,
And trim their splendours that they burn not dim
Toward their Creator.

Wherefore with Angels, wherefore with Archangels,
With lofty Cherubs, loftier Seraphim,
We laud and magnify our God Almighty,
And veil our faces rendering love to him
With all his creatures.

-----Christina Rossetti
Portland, Maine
St. Paul

St. Paul’s welcomes a new era. We are still Anglo-Catholic but with a lighter touch. Father Andrew Faust, our interim rector, does not sing, but the congregation still does, with gusto. God still hears our sound coming from a small corner in East Bayside, Portland, Maine. Father has also instituted special events in the parish hall after the 10:30 Mass. Our Welcome, Cruise Ship sign goes up every Sunday. Our 8 AM low Mass has been reduced to first and third Sundays for the rest of the summer. Stay tuned because we are growing.

Father Amos and his family have all moved to Indiana where he hopes to get a church position. We gave him a nice farewell and send off party.

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John Serrage, Organist

throughout a life that was much longer than the experts ever expected and was happy and full thanks to our small band of Animal Angels. Both dogs passed peacefully in their beds. We continue to hope and pray for some regular benefactors. We are not fooled by all the heat and humidity knowing that winter is on the way and we will have extra mouths to feed. We are so grateful for every gift whether it be the “widow’s mite” or something greater. All donations are tax deductible and much appreciated and updates and stories about the animals are included in the weekly Meditation… Will you be some animal’s angel? God bless you all as we inch toward a beautiful fall season.

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Sr. Mary Francis, OSB

Raymond, Maine
Our Benedictines

Fr. Kevin holds down the fort (i.e. Monastery) while Sr. works her summer job at the Park. She takes care of the animals early, goes to work for 11-12 hours and comes home to take care of the animals again. This is her everyday routine this time of year. She is able to finally return to “normal” in October when her job ends for the season and she can once again paint, work on her children’s stories and rescue animals. Fr. “takes up the slack” by filling water buckets, mowing grass, stacking hay when necessary, vacuuming and giving lots of love and attention to the animals. He also built a grain/shavings shed to store these important items.

The Meditation continues to grow in readership and goes out faithfully each week and is well shared. Masses are said for special intentions and Fr. is always honored to hear confessions and give spiritual guidance by appointment to anyone who is searching for a deeper and more meaningful relationship with God or a better understanding of our faith. Fr. said a Requiem Mass for one of our neighbors who was tragically killed in a car accident less than a half mile from home. This was a great comfort to the husband as well as some of our neighbors who sprung into action to make things work out for this relatively new neighbor.

We have lost 2 of our old dogs. Pandy was almost 18 years old and Janey was flirting with 16. Both dogs had horrible back stories which left permanent handicaps and mental scars but both dogs persevered...
opportunity to attend. On Sunday morning, Bishop Welbourne was the guest preacher at our services.


The picture of Fr. Ron and his family includes his wife, Shirley, and children Nii Nortey, Nii Noi, Naa Shormey and Nortei.

On the 4th of July we set up a booth and participated in the festivities on the green in Amherst, NH. Thanks to the DiPietro family who organized the events. We even had new silk-screen printed shirts to wear to make us stand out! There was a wonderful turnout despite the heat and humidity and all had a wonderful time.

Our thanks to Fr. Robert Menas who filled in so admirably for Bishop Webb during his recovery from surgery and vacation.

Bible studies continue including a new addition on Sunday evenings conducted by our senior warden, Mike Turilli. They are currently studying Galatians and all are welcome. Tuesday evening and Saturday morning studies are also in full force.  

----------Submitted by Lee Garre

Halfmoon, New York
St. Thomas of Canterbury

At Tuesday evening Bible Study we set aside the Good Book for a few weeks in favor of the Screwtape Letters. It is encouraging to learn that the devil’s incompetence, when added to our hesitancy to repent, produces salvation, thanks to God’s good humored mercy. Wormwood is a loser. Uncle Screwtape talks a good game but that’s it!  

It cannot be the quality of incense that allures new comers because we use the cheap stuff. By process of elimination it turns out that prayer is responsible for doubling our numbers since Easter. Alleluia! !

But not all is sweetness and light at Fort St. Thomas, Halfmoon. The demons of the sky brought down half a tree upon our garden shed. The demons of the earth corrupted the sewer system. Frequent heavy summer rains have brought forth an abundance of grass that has cut the price of hay and driven up the cost of lawnmower gas.

We tuck it in, sing six hymns, the nine-fold Kyrie, the Gloria Tibi, the Sanctus, the Agnus Dei and the Gloria and eat healthy afterwards every Sunday morning.

Our Seventh Day Baptist tenants are by no means Christian slouches. The swell of our mighty organ and the strum of their humble guitar please God. I have this on good authority.  

----------David Bullard

Tuxedo, New York
Saint Elizabeth’s

Summertime offers us numerous delightful outdoor concerts, barbecues, farmers markets, fairs, festivals, etc., along with vacation travel opportunities to destinations far and near. We hope all of you are having a fun-filled summer! We don’t hold Sunday services at St. Elizabeth’s during August, when many of our parishioners are away on vacation. Those who aren’t traveling enjoy using this time to visit other local churches – a great opportunity to share in worship with fellow Christian friends and neighbors we don’t normally see on Sunday mornings.

Our annual parish picnic was held on July 22nd and it was a special gathering, as we bid farewell to Fr. Peter Geromel who has been our interim Priest at St. Elizabeth’s for the past year and a half. He lovingly served us during this time, traveling 100+ miles from Pennsylvania to Tuxedo to be with us on Sundays while handling multiple commitments at home, serving as a hospice chaplain, teaching college courses, and assisting with pastoral duties in his local church. Add to all the above his responsibilities in providing a loving home for his wife, Kari, and little son, Simeon, and you have one very busy and faithful servant! We were incredibly blessed with Fr. Peter’s compassionate, caring concern for all of us, his inspirational sermon messages and his spiritual guidance, and he will truly be missed. Although we are sad to see him leave, we were delighted to hear that he and Kari are expecting their second child this fall. We share their happiness in this joyful news and are thankful that Fr. Peter will have more time to spend with his growing family. May God richly bless them in the years ahead.

We are also very fortunate to have Fr. Jim Hurd assisting us during this time of transition as we continue our search for a new pastor. He has come to St. Elizabeth’s several Sundays to celebrate Holy Communion with us even though this requires a very lengthy, early morning drive from his home in Springfield, Massachusetts to Tuxedo. In spite of this long trip, Father Hurd always arrives with a warm smile and genuine enthusiasm to share his ministry with us. Thank you, Fr. Hurd!

I anticipate that there will be some wonderful reports about St. Luke’s Camp when this NEA edition reaches all of us. We hope the camp staff and campers enjoyed lots of fun activities and a spirit-filled week as they studied God’s word and felt His presence in their worship times together. We are so grateful for all the clergy and lay volunteers who give of their time and talents to share this special week with our youth who so greatly need this Godly experience in today’s troubled secular world – kudos to you!
As I write this article, I realize that, in a very few weeks, summer will leave us and our endless variety of gorgeous summer flowers will become just a beautiful memory. But, alas, do not despair! God loves us and has plans to fill the void. The spectacular beauty that will surround us in the upcoming autumn months is another magnificent display of His handiwork — our God is an awesome God, indeed! Take time to appreciate, to enjoy and to thank Him for His many gifts.

In closing, we ask for your prayers as we continue our search for a new pastor to serve our congregation at St. Elizabeth’s. We look forward to seeing many of you at Synod in October. God’s blessings to all.

-----------Ingrid Magar

Ellsworth, Maine
St. Thomas

He answered, “The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. Matthew 13:37

We, at St. Thomas, have been enjoying the return of our two-year old summer garden and of summer visitors; some who have been worshiping with us for years and some for whom this year is their first. We lost two long-term regular couples, Ann and Jim Geary and Karen and Ed Hart, to Florida last fall and are eager to see them when they come back for a quick visit this fall. Ann and Jim sold their Maine home recently, which was good news for them in many ways, but not when it meant they no longer have a place to stay when in ME. Thus, their visit will be short and sweet. Karen and Ed still have a house in ME. They had every intention of spending summers and early fall here, but a diagnosis of liver cancer and subsequent chemo/radiation treatment for Karen, and ultimately a liver transplant in June, has kept them in FL all year. Karen is doing very well and is hopeful she and Ed will be able to spend some time in ME in September or October. We are praying they can come too.

Our mission in Camden has restarted, having stopped when our assistant priest, Fr. Frank Gray, had to understandably stop serving so far away. Our newest deacon, Dcn. Leroy Weed, has offered to serve and sow “good seeds” in Camden once a month.

St. Thomas has also re-assumed the Waterville mission that our priest, Fr. Ed Kalish, served prior to becoming Rector of St. Thomas. Afterwards, Fr. Logan served the Waterville mission, and now our other deacon, Dcn. Kevin Kelly, will assume that role. It is heartwarming knowing those Anglicans in Camden and Waterville, who have hungered for His word and the Sacrament, are receiving them with joy and thanksgiving.

Fr. Kalish continues with his Hospice work, teaching a Bible study class on Wednesdays, and somehow fits in his work towards his Master’s degree from Nashota House. He has completed the coursework he needs to take in Wisconsin, and is now looking at the last task of writing his thesis. If all goes as planned, he will have met all the requirements by spring 2019 and will have received his Master’s degree soon after.

Bp. Hendy Webb will be at St. Thomas for our annual episcopal visit, our Annual Parish Meeting, our annual picnic, and celebration of our 25th anniversary, all combined on August 26th. We are only eight months late observing our 25th anniversary; late is sometimes better than never. On the 25th, Bp. Webb and his wife have been invited to join Dcn. Leroy on his lobster boat, The next day, after officiating Mass and talking at the Annual Meeting, Bp. Webb and his wife will get to enjoy hamburgers, hot dogs, and potluck dishes, sing old hymns (and possibly some quirky, fun songs) as Fr. Kalish whips out his guitar, and then enjoy a piece of anniversary cake before returning to NH.

On August 27th, Linda Kalish will have cataract surgery on one eye. We will be praying for a rapid recovery from that surgery and when the other eye is done. St. Thomas has been blessed to have up to two organists over the past several years, one being Ann Geary who now lives in FL, the other who, along with her husband, announced in mid-July they have chosen a different denomination. Since mid-July, Linda has been filling in as our organist, along with everything else she does, and has found it to be quite challenging with cataracts. Those sitting in the pews would never have guessed by her playing that she was having difficulty though, which says a lot about Linda.

Best wishes to all for a beautiful and enjoyable fall. Until next time …

---------Valerie Brown McCadden, Clerk

Conway,
N.H.
St. Margaret of Scotland

Greetings from St. Margaret’s.
Where has the summer gone?
This part of New Hampshire starts to
see a huge influx of folks from “away” during the last part of the summer. Its as though folks start to realize that Labor Day is upon them, and it’s “Gee, we better get the kids/grandmom/ nieces and nephews somewhere for a weekend or a few days.” That “somewhere” for folks in New England and New York is frequently the coast of Maine, or the White Mountains. Its certainly not Florida, that’s for certain.

Women’s Bible study has been going along well, although suspended for the summer months. The topic for the 12 week series was “Women of the Old Testament”, whose lives are still relevant today. Any woman looking for good read should pick up “The Red Tent” a “can’t put it down” story based on what the author, a Brandeis professor, was able to research and turn into a historical novel.

St. Margaret’s again celebrated Sea Sunday and Veteran’s Sunday in May. Jack Poirier, of the American Legion, again gave a wonderful reading of tributes for each branch of the service, as well as the Merchant Marine. Congregants were invited up to light a candle in memory of a friend or loved one who served.

Our July 1 service provided us wit the opportunity to sing some favorite patriotic songs, among them “God Bless America”. Fr. and His wife Linda Monroe took a well deserved vacation out to the west coast to visit their son and daughter in law and grandchildren. There are now 2 new little Christians to add to the flock. Fr. Gary Drinkwater generously filled in in Father’s absence. Also in July, the second annual Anglo-fest again took place in Alfred, Maine. A Mass was said, lunch was served and lively lawn games were played to enable everyone to work off a great repast.

In August Father and Linda took an exciting vacation to Scotland. They were able to meet up with their daughter Michelle and son in law Jim. If the pictures are any indication, a great time was had visiting historic and religious sites. Of course, the scenery is quite spectacular as well.

We were hoping to get a picture of Father in a kilt and sporran, but were disappointed. At least he’ll probably come back with a Scottish brogue. If his past adoption of a southern drawl following a vacation down south is any indication, he’ll be calling us all lads and lassies when he returns.

We are now in the final stages of collecting our unwanted and unused treasures for our annual yard sale. This is a great opportunity, not only to fund raise, but to outreach and share our message to anyone ready to hear it.

We have reluctantly said good bye to 2 couples in our parish family. Greg and Carole Davis have relocated to Florida, where they previously lived. Carol was a great help to the Altar Guild. Rebecca and Jim Harrington are returning to Ohio, where they previously lived. They have been a huge part of the St. Margaret’s family. Both have organized and cooked the St. Patrick’s day dinner for several years, with Rebecca tirelessly canvassing the business community for donations for our raffle. Jim’s wonderful baritone voice will be sorely missed in the choir, where he was a regular soloist.

The morning air now brings a hint of fall, which of course in New England is the most spectacular place in terms of foliage viewing. We will get a few weeks respite from the summer visitors before the leaf peepers and busloads of senior citizens descend on us. Those of us who live here have learned the “secret” roads to get us out of the traffic and to our destinations.

We wish all our Anglican friends a bountiful fall, and the enjoyment of what remains of summer.

-----Maureen Ferguson, Ladies Guild

Webster, New York
Holy Cross Anglican Church

“Friendship is the shadow of the evening, which increases with the setting sun of life.”

-----Jean de La Fontaine

Holy Cross has had many people come and go from its walls. Some for short visits to others that have been there a lifetime. This year is a landmark for so many reasons. We have paid in June the last mortgage payment on the land next door. The Church has celebrated its 40th year of service to God and his children. The perspective of a new minister is on the horizon.

These last three months have been a time of many events at Holy Cross. We have spent many months supporting Deacon Tom as he prepared, passed, and was presented to the Bishop Marsh to be ordained. He has now been appointed as Priest-in-Charge. We would be remiss if not to once again acknowledge the support of Father Ihde, Father Cunningham, and St. Nicholas’s Parish. The support
of the Western New York Parishes has been a blessing. Now we can share the support with Holy Redeemer.

We continue to provide to our neighborhood food cupboards and the firestation that supports West Webster. We pray each and everyday for the many people on our prayer list and all those that struggle. May you enjoy each and every friend like the beautiful sunset they are in our lives.

----------By Linda Bowen

Charlestown, N.H.
Anglican Church
of the Good Shepherd

The Summer has been a busy one for the Church of the Good Shepherd. We held our fifth annual vacation Bible school on July 9-13, and had 10-11 children with us the entire week. Again, we collaborated with Child Evangelism Fellowship of New Hampshire to hold the program. Their youth ministers are a joy to work with in spreading the Good News to young people in the community. This year we had three children from our parish participate in the program.

After painting the church sanctuary last winter, we noted a large white space above the altar where a dossal curtain had hung. The parish debated rehanging the curtain, when one member suggested we create a work of art or reredos to hang there. Further discussion led to the idea of an image of Christ the Good Shepherd. Some after, we invited Fr. Christian Tutor, All Saints Anglican Church, and Sean Kramer, iconographer to visit Good Shepherd and give us a lecture on the use of icons in liturgical worship. After more discussion we decided to commission Mr. Kramer, to write an icon of Christ the Good Shepherd for sanctuary.

During vacation Bible school, Phil Turner, our junior warden, suggested that the children create an artwork to hang over the altar until the icon is ready, in place of the scheduled set of crafts projects. The children took on the project very seriously and created a very good collage of images that reflected their understanding of Christ the Good Shepherd. Needless to say there were lots of sheep with wooly cotton balls glued to their backs, clouds, rivers, trees, grass, crosses, and Christ. We were all impressed as was Mr. Kramer. We expect the project will take 9 months.

Our most exciting news is that Mr. Scott Chase will be ordained to the deaconate by Bishop Marsh on Saturday, September 8. His services are greatly welcomed as Fr. David has “retired,” Fr. Art Bennett

HIs first official task: blessing his wife and Bishop Marsh.

With the highs of life come also the lows. In the same week we suddenly lost a friend: Katherine Harmer who, was always connected in part to the church through her parents, had become a faithful member in and of herself just recently. Her sudden loss and the great joy of Father Stone’s have together brought some to think about God’s workings and the wonders of his gifts. Those that shared in her 65 years were honored to call her friend, aunt, sister, and neighbor.

Kind words were shared that weekend to help us understand that we can never be selfish to keep someone with us on earth. God’s wisdom and grace fell upon each and everyone of us that shared in knowing her. A blessing it was indeed. A reminder that each day is a gift and each person that we meet needs that light of sunshine. Often you don’t realize what gift you had until it is gone.

Celebrations of life and birth were had as well. We wished Lola Jurgenson a 90th birthday in August and Joyce Rice a 91st birthday. Becky Antes, granddaughter to Stella Antes, had her first baby on August 15, 2018. WELCOME Haisley Kay-Stella Antes

Born 12:18am at 6lbs 181/2 inches long - A precious little one! Both mother and child are doing very well.
is not much younger than Fr. David, and our parish appears to be growing!

Finally, we look forward to the “Blessing of the Badges” on the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels, Saturday, September 29 at the Charlestown Fire Station. Fr. Art, a former police officer, has organized this event for the past three years, in which the community is invited to come and show support for our police, fire, and emergency service personnel who risk their lives daily to protect our community.

We look forward to seeing our friends from around the Diocese of the Northeast at the October Synod in Maine.

---Submitted by the Rev. David W. Moody

Scarborough, Maine
St. Augustine of Canterbury

St. Augustine is thriving in these mid-summer doldrums! Our church has had a number of new visitors and there have been several activities that keep us all busy ...

... including the installation of Valerie Kazarian as Deaconess. Under the direction of Fr. Monroe, she earned an associate degree in a short amount of time. Val combines this with her previously earned bachelor’s degree, so please congratulate her on this fantastic accomplishment.

At the beginning of September Fr. Bob Menas will be taking over St. Augustine, and I will be stepping down as Lay Pastor, which has been my role for the past 16 months.

Let me say that I wish all postulants could have the experience that I have had. I will miss serving the church in that capacity, my time at St. Augustine has turned into an important touchstone in my life. I have made so many great friends, and I love every single one of them, each will be in my prayers from now on.

-----Mike McKinnon-Dane

“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.”
(Isaiah 43:18-19)

When last we were together St. Augustine’s was looking forward to having a priest, Father Amos, with us twice each month to offer Communion services. This would have been wonderful for a community that has been in search of a new priest for over two-and-a-half years and surviving on a Sung Morning Prayer service for that time. This was a wonderful plan. As it turned out, God had a different plan.

Father Amos graduated from Gordon-Conwell last spring and almost immediately was called to a church in Indiana. Father Amos and his family were gone from Portland within a very short period of time and he began at his new church in late July. While it was difficult for us to lose him, he was certainly about to begin a new ministry that was a very attractive call for him.

But God wasn’t done yet. St. Augustine’s now is looking forward to welcoming a relative newcomer to the area. Father Bob Menas is now servicing our area as a Supply Priest and is going to be available to us on a regular basis to offer Communion services. While Father Bob has visited with us several times since Easter to offer Communion, he will begin with us in earnest on September 2. He and his wife, LeeAnn, are delightful people and we greatly enjoy and appreciate their being with us. We are definitely looking forward to this new chapter in the life of St. Augustine’s life.

We were also pleased this spring to have Valerie Kazarian, our Senior Warden and long-time St. Augustine member, “set aside” as the Diocese’s second deaconess. Valerie completed her studies at Logos House which earned her an Associates degree in Sacred Theology and the related experience to allow Bishop Marsh to approve the setting aside. Valerie now joins Tracy Garner in Conway, New Hampshire as the beginnings of a sisterhood which hopefully will see an increase in numbers.

The parish continues its fundraising efforts in several ways. We have developed an affinity for plant sales for some reason and we’ve had several in the past few months. After our lily sale just before Palm Sunday we hosted a book sale/plant sale/hot dog luncheon at a two-church yard sale this past June. It was a beautiful early summer day and the event was well attended. We easily ran out of hot dogs and sold all of the perennial plants. The books did relatively well and overall the day was relaxing and enjoyable and we were lucky enough to make a little money.

Right now, we’re getting ready for our second annual mum sale. Last year was our first experience with a mum sale and we were very pleasantly surprised how well we did. We’re hoping this year’s event will be at least as successful – and that the weather holds!

We experimented this month by renting a table at SummerFest, a community fair hosted by the Scarborough school district. We sold straw-
berry shortcakes made with strawberries which were locally grown - some of them were picked by parishioners at the Pettit’s farm here in Scarborough. Ed and Valerie are friends of the parish and we always enjoy working on our projects with them. The weather was threatening so the crowds were not as big as they have been in past years but we had fun and enjoyed the successful event. We learned a lot about what other groups do at SummerFest and we’ll be ready to participate again next year.

We also continue to work on our 501c3 application. We’ve made our way through the difficult technical parts and are about to work our way through some more administrative requirements. We’re hoping to be finished with the project by the end of the year.

Vine & Branches has been busy working on its fall projects. Fall is the busy time for the group. Most of the year is spent raising money for the projects that mostly are completed in the last part of the year. Today we stuffed backpacks for homeless children in area schools. Enough backpacks are delivered to three school districts in southern Maine to support 100% of the homeless students in those districts. We were joined by Alexa and Ashton, Ed and Valerie’s grandchildren. It’s always nice to get the young people involved in community service projects, especially when they know they are serving other children. Those backpacks will be delivered tomorrow morning, so they can be given to the students on the first day of school.

This report wouldn’t be complete without a description of our second annual Deanery picnic. Parishioners from three parishes came together in Alfred, Maine for a day of Communion, food, fellowship and fun. After a Communion service in the chapel we moved into the dining room for a light lunch. This was followed by a delightful magic show performed by Brad Fury, Jean Kazarian’s grandson. This was definitely a fun time and thoroughly enjoyed by all. People then had a choice of a competitive game of bocce ball on the lawn thanks to Dick Collupy or a Hymn sing in the chapel organized by Tracy Gardner. We ended the day in mid-afternoon with everyone looking forward to next year’s picnic.

We are gearing up for our fall events and, as usual, we expect the holidays to be here before we know it. Labor Day is just a week away – the end of summer. Let’s all enjoy the great weather while it lasts.

"Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen." Ephesians 3:20-21

----------Valerie Kazarian

Mystic, Conn.
St. Matthias and Deep River, Conn.
St. Peter’s

On Whitsunday, May 20, we resumed holding our primary Sunday service at St. Matthias in Mystic; our service time there is 10:30 AM, we also have an Evening Prayer service at St. Peter’s Sundays at 4:00 PM. This service schedule seems to be agreeable with many folk, and we have had more visitors attending at each location over these summer months.

The highlight of this quarter for us, of course, was Bishop Marsh’s annual visitation, at St. Matthias on July 29. The day before had been the birthday of one of our congregants, Nancy Badgett, so it was a double celebration, with luncheon and cake following the service. His Grace was also asked to perform a small additional duty, which has a bit of a story behind it:

In late June, I had traveled to Missoula, Montana, for a Perkins family reunion. While out there, I had opportunity to meet up with IAF Executive Director Erv Lischke and his wife, Mo, at their alpaca ranch near Victor, MT. I had another interesting oppor-
ST. AUGUSTINE’S-SCARBOROUGH

St. Augustine’s completed this year’s Backpacks for Homeless Children, delivering enough supplies to provide 100% of the homeless children in three school districts with school supplies for the beginning of the school year.

The parish also received a check from the Walmart Foundation for $1,000 for its Bicycles for Foster Kids Project. The parish provides bikes for needy children in Southern Maine each Christmas. The parish has had an active outreach program for the last 5 years.

GREEN LIGHTS IN SUPPORT OF TROOPS

Walmart has provided hundreds of green light bulbs to show support for our troops to American Legion Post 46 in Conway. Four cases of bulbs have been given to our parishes (1 case each) including St. Margaret’s, St. Augustine’s, St. Paul’s and Transfiguration. The lights can be provided free of charge to those parish members who wish to display them in support of those who protect our freedom.

PARISH SERVICE LISTING

We are putting together a sheet showing our deanery parishes with contact info and service times. We will copy at no cost to the parishes and send enough along to each parish for use by those looking for information about where to worship during vacation and travel times. Please send your updated service schedule to me at mirage@maine.rr.com.

ST. MARGARET’S CALLS FOR REMATCH

After suffering a crushing defeat at the hands of the Transfiguration Bocce Ball Team at the annual deanery picnic, St. Margaret’s has called for a rematch at the Synod in October. Fr. Gary has accepted the challenge and St. Margaret’s will be ready to take home the title this time!

MONTHLY CALL

We hope to get all of the deanery parish rectors/clergy on a monthly call just to see what we can do together to support each other and discuss any issues that might be of interest. Let me know what day of the week and time might be best.

2019 DEANERY PICNIC

Looking at next July in Alfred, once again at the Notre Dame Spiritual Center.

Hope you all have had a wonderful summer. Let me know how the deanery may be of service.

GOT NEWS? LET ME KNOW. (I am sending this to all priests, deacons, deaconesses and sub-deacons in the deanery-feel free to share).

-----Fr. Jeff, Dean

NEWS FROM THE DEANERY OF MAINE AND NORTHEAST NEW HAMPSHIRE

From the Mountains to the Sea, Where the Sun First Rises on the Anglican Church in America

[ed note: Here’s an example of how one deanery is being conducted. We’d be pleased to hear from others]

-----Blessings always, Fr. Merrill Perkins

1884, following one of the designs in Richard Upjohn's "Rural Architecture", an influential book he published in 1852, which included many designs for wood-constructed country church buildings. The book was widely referenced as the Episcopal Church expanded into Dakota Territory in the 1870's and 1880's; at one time there were 153 Upjohn-designed church buildings in South Dakota, the one in Groton is the only surviving example in the state. My cousin and I were given a tour of the church by the local historian, it looks as it would have during the very late 1800's, complete with a pump organ which our organist would love! During the tour I noticed what was lacking were alms basins. I happened to have two wooden alms basins, stained in a color closely matching the interior of the old church; so when Bishop Marsh made his visitation to St. Matthias, I had with me the two alms basins, which he blessed, and are now adorning the interior of said Trinity Church. (Episcopal services there ceased about 1974; since completion of renovations in 2016, occasional interfaith services and other community events are now held there.) Returning to the present, we sent three campers to St. Luke's Camp this year: Sean, Bridget, and Fiona Kennedy. By accounts from parents and grandparents, they all had a wonderful time!

If autumn travels bring you down to southeastern Connecticut, we hope that you will join us in worship! St. Matthias, 10:30 AM at Olde Mistick Village Meetinghouse; St. Peter's, 4:00 PM at the Wooster Memorial Chapel in Deep River.

-----Fr. Jeff, Dean
Mechanic Falls, Maine
Anglican Church of the Transfiguration

Yard Sale: We finished the wrap-up of the Memorial Day weekend-Saturday Yard Sale with more sales coming in the early part of June. We conducted a similar one last year which was very successful as well. Good fellowship for our parishioners as well as the local community who attended. We will do it again next year to raise funds for our Building improvements.

Quilt Raffle: A Quilt Raffle was held by the church to raise funds for one of our parishioners to help defray transportation costs to bring her daughter over from South Africa. We raised enough to make it possible. Father Gary headed up the “appeal committee”. Great job done by all.

Clericus Meeting: Father Gary our Rector and Sub-Deacon Steve Bunnell traveled to Alfred, Maine for the June Clericus Meeting. They found it very worthwhile. This was Steve’s first Clericus as a Postulant for the position of a Deacon in the Diocese.

Sub-Deacon-Steve Bunnell: Our new Postulant has started his studies program with Logos House. We are all very proud of Steve’s efforts to become a Deacon to serve our church. He is already leading Morning Prayer as needed and doing a fine job with how he handles the service and his sermons are wonderful and well received.

DNE Synod 2018: We finalized the color brochure that went out to all clergy, delegates and alternates to the Synod. We are delighted with the creative work of our printer with many pictures of what to expect. The venue is wonderful with everything we need to make this Synod very special. Please send in your registration forms as soon as you can and don’t forget to make your hotel reservations at Poland Spring Resort. Make sure you mention that you are coming to the DNE Synod.

Father’s Day Service: It was very special recognizing all the dads on their special day. We had Father’s Day Sunday bulletin covers with an insert listing parishioners’ fathers. We do this every year. Father Gary also recognized the Dads attending with a special prayer.

July 2018: Transfiguration always highlights the 4th as a special day with another Sunday Bulletin cover featuring our country’s birthday.

Sunday Bulletin Covers: We started the summer series of covers showing beautiful summer scenes and a biblical message on the front. On the back is a list of our Clergy, Vestry, Officers and Committees. The inside covers weekly news, prayer list and a calendar of events. We also have an insert each week for the service order. They are well received by our parishioners and guests. We also use them to mail out to shut-ins and those away.

Building Renovations: July 1st started the outside work on the upgrade of our wonderful 170 year-old building. The church building had lead paint which was badly peeling. We chose to go over it with insulation and white vinyl siding. What a huge difference it has made for the appearance of the building. It looks brand new. The work will continue into September with part of the roof being replaced as well. Our contractor is doing a great job.

Deanery Picnic-Alfred, Maine:
Twelve of our parishioners travelled to Alfred, Maine at the Notre Dame Spiritual Center for the 2nd Annual Deanery Picnic on July 28th. The day featured a Holy Eucharist with our own Father Gary being the officiant assisted by Sub-Deacon Steve.

Lunch came next with a Magician as entertainment. He was great! Next was the Bocce Ball tournament. Transfiguration came in first for the second year in a row. The day was capped by a Hymn sing enjoyed by all. Great job by Val from St. Augustine’s in putting it all together.

DNE Synod 2018: Registrations are coming in as well as about twenty hotel reservations. The committee continues to work on the details.

Inside Painting: We had a “work party” on Saturday, July 21st at the church. It is a work-in-progress to get ready for the Synod and spruce up the inside.

August 2018:
Building Renovations Continue
Half the church is now covered with vinyl including the front of the church. We decided to leave the corner boards with wonderful architectural details. They were given a fresh coat of white paint.

Our Organist, Musical Director and Synod Registrar: Jean Bunnell was in the hospital for a pre-planned heart procedure. It went very well and she is back “at her post” serving Transfiguration. She is feeling much better. We are all very appreciative of all the work she does.

Barbershop Quartet Concert-Ice Cream Social: We had our Second Annual concert with the group “Senior Discount”. Their performance was outstanding and thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. We had the luxury this year of air conditioning thanks to the new Heat Pump
system installed last November. Even with a very hot and humid night, all were comfortable. After the hour-long concert, we went down to Fellowship Hall for Home-Made Ice Cream from a Maine vendor and brownies/cookies made by our members. It was a very special night enjoyed by all.

**St. Luke’s Camp:** Father Gary, our Rector travelled to Greenwich, NY to assist with the camp as he did last year. Father Gary reports that the week was very successful and worthwhile for all who attended. Thanks to Father Gary for volunteering his time. Our Sub-Deacon Steve took over the parish pastoral care needs while he was away. He conducted Morning Prayer on Sunday, August 5th while Gary was in-route to camp.

It has been a very busy summer at Transfiguration with, as you can see, lots going on. We are all very excited about the upcoming 2018 DNE Synod in October which is right around the corner. Our Sub-Deacon Steve took over the parish pastoral care needs while he was away. He conducted Morning Prayer on Sunday, August 5th while Gary was in-route to camp.

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**Coming Event:** In September, Father Gary will host and lead an all-day Planning session for the entire parish to focus in on the “Mission of the Church”. More to come in the next issue.

--------Barry Vail

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**Concord, N.H.**

**All Saints**

The Parish of All Saints opens its doors to the Diocese of the Northeast to join in contemplating the Mystery of Christ in Holy Communion, through the Feast of Corpus Christi. Rich in the medieval pageantry and with grateful hearts for the Gift of Jesus Himself, the parishioners process around the church precincts with canopy and song, like the children of the Hebrews with the Ark of the Covenant, singing of God’s mercy and love, with Christ enthroned in the jeweled monstrance.

**Fr. David Moody,** of Good Shepherd Parish, joined in the festivities, and after the liturgical celebration, a great feast was had in which guests, family and parish enjoyed food and fellowship, all centered around Christ, Our Living Bread. This fitting end to the Paschal Season, and the commencing of the Summer solemnities, is the highlight for the parishioners of All Saints.

Having an internationally noted opera singer in the parish is a great addition (especially at Sunday Mass when congregational singing needs a boost!) but also for the vision that wants to enlighten and elevate through classical music. **Jane Cormier,** Vestry Clerk of All Saints, has revived the Piccola Opera company to fill the need for beauty in voice performance. The inaugural event on July 20, hundreds of music lovers descended on the Concord City Auditorium to hear new and seasoned singers present a panoply of opera classics. All Saints provided rehearsal space—and patronage—also lending Fr. Christian as the House Manager for the event (he wears many, many hats!). The event was a roaring success, and many more programs are planned for the future. This also is a great boon for All Saints as Jane is developing a closer working relationship with the parish and company to introduce classical music lovers to classical liturgy in the Anglican tradition. To keep abreast of performances and see more pictures of the events go to: www.piccolaopera.net

Becoming a vital part of the curriculum at the prestigious St. Paul’s School (Episcopal) in Concord at the summer session, can be a challenge, and a blessing. **Fr. Christian Tutor,** Educational Trust Fund Chairman of New Hampshire Right to Life, and Joann Samson, PhD, Senior Warden of All Saints, lectured on biological ethics to students from around the State of New Hampshire who attended the class: the best and brightest in their districts. In an extended seminar, that Fr. Christian has been teaching for the last 3 years, the basic question was asked: ‘What are ethics?’ Many and varied answers came and were written on the dry erase board. Next question ‘What actions do you consider wrong?’ The answers were more precise: ‘killing,’ ‘stealing,’ ‘lying,’ etc. most agreed that the answers given were against ethical behavior. Asked ‘where’ did these ideas of right and wrong come from, most students did not know an answer of Natural Law that is informed by Divine Law. Students from a spectrum of educational backgrounds were surprised that the 10 Commandments were the basis for our governmental law! The seminar was a shock period of instruction for these student scholars who looked wide-eyed when told that an informed ethical decision is not based on ‘feeling’ alone but on a well-formed conscience. Joann and Fr. Christian doing the tag team approach, which suited this seminar best, planted...
the seeds in the minds of the young about Life. A follow-up email from the class professor told them that: ‘your presentation moved some to confirm their stance on the primacy of a life option.’ One child at a time is all it takes to change the world.

One of the duties of Fr. Christian as Chairman of the Educational Trust of New Hampshire Right to Life, is to plan events highlighting the mission of NHRTL. During the summer, Soulfest, a massive concert in which Christian rock bands descend upon Gunstock, NH for 3 days, is one such event. Planning and insurance, finding volunteers and doing set-up, are part and parcel of what is expected to host the thousands who annually attend. NHRTL’s booth offers information and friendly faces answering questions on the primacy of Life. This year Joann Samson joined Fr. Christian at the event for the first time (probably the last!)…amid the pouring rain and torrential mud slides, oppressive humidity and staining mud…witness was made to young and old alike that proclaiming the Truth sometimes involves inconvenience and sacrifice.

All Saints will celebrate the Fall with its Annual Autumn Feast on September 15. Gathering at White Rock Community Center, the parish potluck will be an afternoon of relaxed conviviality. We will welcome the many new parishioners (Thank God!) who have joined All Saints in the past year, and laugh and feast into the early evening with the familiar faces of friends and family who are a vital part of the parish.

The Solemnity of All Saints is November 1, Thursday, and will be celebrated with a Solemn High Mass and banquet. Members of the Diocese of the Northeast are invited to come to the celebration which will begin at 6:00 PM with the Divine Liturgy. See the website www.allsaintsnh.com for more information and directions.

Canandaigua, New York
Holy Redeemer Anglican Church

We are surviving: both a brutally hot and humid summer, and our state of transition as a parish. In both, there are periods of drought, and periods of relief. On one Sunday, we had nine (yes, NINE, count ‘em, 9!!!) visitors! And the next week, there were four of us. Such is the stuff of which Sunday church attendance is made. But we have faith, and we know that our Father is watching over us, and that it is not yet our time to be what we wish to be. In His wisdom, he is allowing us to experience simultaneously those myriad emotions of wistfulness and hope and faith and determination. We’re conserving our energy, feeding our roots to strengthen them for a surer foundation, and hoping to see an abundance of new growth in the coming season. With prayers and with faith, we shall. With God’s help, we are committed to the future, and we are enthusiastic about re-building. We have one new – and youthful – member. Casey Grow has stepped in on a few occasions as crucifer and acolyte; and he has brought friends to church. And we are pleased to have Fr. David Leo on the altar delivering inspired, and inspiring, sermons.

† Our parish family celebrated several special occasions and accomplishments this summer. Fr. David’s daughter Krysta was married by him in July, to Ryan Upson, in a beautiful ceremony in Canandaigua. As I watched the proud father (Father!) and the lovely bride with the radiant smile, I recalled a young girl in Sunday School at Holy Redeemer more than a dozen years earlier; and I marveled at how the years do fly by.

† My own baby just turned 17, and will soon begin his senior year of high school. He’s had a busy summer, with many Civil Air Patrol activities. He was selected to attend an elite one-week CAP course at Kirtland AFB in Albuquerque, called the Pararescue Orientation Course (PJOC.) Taught by USAF parajumpers (PJs) and SERE (Survival Evasion Resistance Escape) Specialists, its standards were extremely high, and both the physical requirements and the course training were extraordinarily demanding. I’m certain that not many adults could pass this course. We were warned that not all cadets would graduate, but we flew out to be there with Cameron at the graduation banquet, anyway. In fact, out of a class of 65 cadets, 56 graduated. And we were extremely proud to learn, at the banquet, that Cameron was one of them. We learned that evening that he had had an extremely close call while rappelling; and that his fellow cadet/belayer, and the grace of God, saved his life. It was a life-changing moment that has strengthened his faith. Two weeks later, he attended his second consecutive year as a cadet staff member at the New York Wing Encampment, as a flight commander. We attended the graduation ceremony, and we were excited when the top cadet leadership award was announced, naming Cameron Jones! The award was made even more special because it was presented to him by a spry 98-year-old World War II Royal Air Force veteran named Cecily Geraghty, who assisted British RAF pilots in defeating the German Air Force, by providing care and assistance to the pilots. She is a delight, and it was a great honor to meet her.
† Congratulations to Tom Stone on his ordination at Holy Cross. And congratulations to Holy Cross on this important day in the life of their parish.

† Our church family celebrated another very special accomplishment this month: the 61st wedding anniversary of Carol and Jim Barnett! Congratulations to them! May the Lord continue to bless them.

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By Diane S. Jones

Rochester, N.H.

Trinity Anglican Church

St. Luke's camp, which Fr. Mirabile directs was held at Beaver Crossing in Greenwich NY. The camp ran from August 5th through the 11th. Our theme was “Rooted in Love”, drawing from Eph 3:17. As always, Bp Marsh wrote another awesome play for the kids. The kids enjoyed a high ropes course, a climbing wall, archery, and lots of games. They had communion every day, evening prayer every night along with teaching three times a day. Some of the children did not know the Lord’s Prayer when they arrived, by the end of the week however, they knew it well. This is one of our goals, to make the children better prepared for confirmation.

As we move into August we are also preparing to get into full swing again come September. We are meeting with the Sunday School mothers to plan for the next Sunday School program. We want to ensure that the classes are fun, engaging, and meaningful for the children without becoming burdensome to the parents. We want our mom's to get a break and not have to take care of kids again on Sundays. For-
Greetings to you all from St. Nicholas Anglican Church in West Seneca, NY! Summer has been a busy time for us as a parish with many joyful things to report. Our choir departed for their annual recess and we honored members who had been with us through their high school time, with the hope that they will like us so much they will come back!

We have been blessed with the pastoral care and preaching of our rector emeritus Fr. Gene Bagen who has fit right into the parish Rota enhancing the spiritual and sacramental life of our community.

Of course, one of the highlights of the past few months as the episcopal visit of Bishop Marsh which marked a tremendous weekend starting with the ordination of Fr. Tom Stone at our sister parish, Holy Cross Anglican. This was a blessed time as many gathered to support and affirm Fr. Tom’s vocation.

Unfortunately we have enough help to rotate the schedule. Our committees are in full swing, meeting on a bi-weekly basis. 2018 is our Jubilee year – 25 years on our present site and 30 years as a congregation. One of our committees is planning a huge Jubilee celebration for late October. It will be a blast!

Our Men’s Breakfast continues to meet the first Saturday of every month. In October we will have another New Members Class and Bible Study (we call it a “Spiritual Formation Group), held at the rectory, will begin again too.

At this time of year we also gear up for Reboot Combat Recovery. This year we will begin on September 6th and run through Nov. 29th. As of this writing we already have a full class with at least 7 participants and a full team to help provide meals, communication and assist Fr. Matt in leading the class. We look forward to this as we always make new friends and get to watch God move in people’s lives in exciting and liberating ways. It is truly an awesome privilege.

Holy Cross will no doubt benefit from his pastoral care for years to come.

The following Sunday, Bishop Marsh made his way to St. Nicholas to spend time with the parish, to celebrate the Eucharist, preach, and set apart our very own long time parishioner Mr. Matthew Gilbert as a sub-deacon.

In just a few weeks parish life will return to normal with the return of the choir. We are also blessed with the presence of Mr. David Coir from Holy Redeemer, a postulant for Holy Orders who is doing some training at our parish.

Many blessings to you all.

-----In Christ,
Phillip Cunningham+
Curate, St. Nicholas Church

---Ordination at Holy Cross, Webster, N.Y.---

West Seneca, N.Y.
St. Nicholas Anglican Church
Cameron and I attended St. Luke’s Camp in early August, where this year, he was a senior counselor. It was a beautiful new location, with near-luxury accommodations. But the highlight of the week, in sweltering temperatures, was the AIR CONDITIONING in our camp residence!!! We had nine campers, ages 7 to 13, and seven counselors, and the week was filled with activities for spiritual, physical, and creative development, as well as just plain old good playtime. There was daily Morning Prayer, Holy Eucharist, and Evening Prayer, interspersed with other lessons and activities. Instructional moments were fun, not boring.

There were instructed Eucharists by Bishop Marsh and Father Matt; the annual “Stump the Bishop;” the now-annual Great Watermelon Challenge; swimming; archery; a high ropes course and zipline; T-shirt painting; water fight; campfire and S’mores; the talent show; and an impromptu bunk inspection in the girls’ cabin. With a 30-minute warning, and the enticement of a reward, it was amazing that we ended up with a six-way tie. And, of course, there was our play, “Rooted in Love,” the theme of our week, written by our bishop. Making costumes for the play was a task ably conquered by Joyce McCloskey, assisted by Ed Pettit and a few campers, who turned several yards of brown felt, and sprays of silk leaves, into trees for our characters; and our performance on Friday afternoon at the pavilion was attended by a large audience of our friends from Beaver Cross Camp. There were many outdoor activities, in the heat, with often-repeated instructions to hydrate; and one afternoon of thunderstorms. But we retreated to the common room of our camp residence for some down time, and AIR CONDITIONING! I even managed to coax twenty minutes of quiet reading time from the girls. We had a reunion with old friends (Sean, Emma, Jacob, Bridget, Sadie, and Josiah. And there were three new campers: Fiona (who joined her siblings Sean and Bridget; and whose unicorn headband made the rounds all week;) Katie (whose brother Josiah returned after two years;) and Alexa, Ed Pettit’s granddaughter. We had great food; lots of fun games, led by Francis Mirabile and Ed and Cameron; thought-provoking lessons by Fr. Matt, Francis, and Fr. Gary. We enjoyed Movie Night, Princess Bride, in St. Michael’s Chapel (it was right after dinner, so we did not have popcorn. But did I mention the AIR CONDITIONING?!) It was a beautiful week at St. Luke’s Camp in the mountains near the New York -Vermont border. Everyone got along well and behaved (well, mostly!) and new relationships were forged as we played and prayed together, and became more firmly rooted in God’s love. The campers took home some memories for a lifetime, as well as beautiful Christmas ornaments from Father Matt, and prayer books from Bishop Marsh; and the knowledge that God loves them.
**Logos House of Theological Studies**

Ellsworth, ME

http://logoshousetheological.org

Logos House is pleased to announce that four women, two from the DNE and two from the Anglican Province of America (APA), have completed their deaconess track studies. Cynthia Hensley received her diploma from Bp. Walter Grundorf at the APA synod in July. Also, a long-term priest-track student from the Diocese of Mid-America, APA has completed 79 hours of intense study and was presented his diploma by Bp. Robert Giffin in July. This month he returned to his studies with Logos House to expand on what he has already learned, necessitating the creation of new courses. All five of these recently graduated students studied diligently to prepare to answer the call that led each of them to train with Logos House.

Effective 31 July, our president, Fr. McCready, resigned his position because he has decided to switch to a different denomination. We thank Fr. McCready for the two years he served as president and wish him well.

We have accepted four new students in the last month and are looking forward to learning from them as they learn from us. They join several other students who challenge their instructors weekly to prepare them theologically to best answer their call to serve.

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Valerie Brown McCadden
Executive Administrator

**CLERGY NEWS**

**Father Thomas Stone** was ordained to the Sacred Priesthood by Bishop Marsh on August 18 at Holy Cross Anglican Church in Webster, New York. He will be appointed Priest in Charge of Holy Cross Anglican Church.

**Mr. Scott Chase** will be ordained, God willing, to the diaconate in mid September at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Charlestown, New Hampshire.

**Mr. James Hogan** will be ordained, God willing, to the diaconate at the diocesan synod Mass on October 26 at the Poland Springs Resort

**Father Robert Menas** has been assigned to St. Augustine's Anglican Church as regular supply clergy.

**Father Jim Hurd** is supplying at both St. Joseph's Anglican Church and St. Elizabeth's Anglican Church. Father Jim will serve St. Joseph's on the first Sunday of each month, St. Elizabeth's on one or two Sundays per month.

**Father Andrew Faust** has been appointed Interim Rector of St. Paul's Anglican Church, Portland, Maine

**LAITY NEWS**

**Valerie Kazarian** was set apart as a deaconess on July 15 at St. Augustine's Anglican Church, Scarborough, Maine.

**Mr. Matthew Gilbert** was set apart as a sub-deacon on August 19 at St. Nicholas Anglican Church, West Seneca, New York

**NATIONAL NEWS**

Hollywood, California. Bishop Marsh and Bishop Stephen Scarlett of the ACC blessed St Mary of the Angels Anglican Church on August 15.

**BISHOP'S SCHEDULE**

**September 8.** Good Shepherd, Charlestown, New Hampshire. Ordination.

**September 25.** Quincy, Illinois. House of Bishops

**September 26-27.** Executive Council meeting

**October 10-12.** Denver, Colorado. G-4 College of Bishops meeting

**October 24.** Poland Springs, Maine. Clericus

**October 26-27.** Poland Springs, Maine. Diocesan synod.

**November 11.** Concord, New Hampshire. All Saints episcopal visit
Synod 2018

The Annual Synod of the Diocese of the Northeast will be hosted this year by our newest parish, Transfiguration of Mechanic Falls, Maine.

Dates: Thursday, October 25, Friday, October 26, and Saturday, October 27
Location: Poland Spring Resort, 640 Maine Street, Poland Spring, ME
Lodging, meetings and meals at “The Maine Inn” on the Resort grounds.

Entertainment both nights, including a barbershop type chorus, a Maine humorist, and our own Bishop Langberg.

Services will be held both in the All Souls Chapel on the Resort grounds and at the parish church in Mechanic Falls, 7 miles away.

Registration packets and pricing information will be sent out to clergy and delegates.

Father Jim Long, a Missionary in Indonesia, who was ordained in and is attached to our diocese giving a presentation at our June Clericus.

The Altar at St. Mary of the Angels in Hollywood, California, a parish with a rich history that has been the subject of a number of lawsuits. Our Bishop Owen Williams went to take charge until one of the lawsuits went badly and the building was in other hands, for a time. St. Mary’s is now once again a parish of ACA’s Diocese of the West.

The sculpture over the altar was on the outside of the building until it was identified as a genuine Della Robbia and moved to its present place of honor.

The 1928 Prayer Book Alliance has published a special ACA edition, with Foreword by Presiding Bishop Brian R. Marsh. The hardcover edition, suitable for pew use and personal devotions, has a burgundy cover with a metallic gold cross and two place ribbons.

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Quick-Look Report

A Partnership at Work

August 15, 2018

This summer the IAF, the congregation of the Cathedral Church of Saint John the Evangelist (Anglican Catholic Church of Canada), and members of the Diocese of the West (Anglican Church in America) joined forces to help provide a little relief to our brothers and sisters at St. Mary’s Anglican Church in the beleaguered country of Venezuela.

Two shipments of non-perishable foodstuffs have been sent... the first totaled 160 pounds and was sent by air from Toronto, Canada. It was coordinated and funded by the Cathedral Church of Saint John in Victoria, British Columbia and has arrived in Caracas.

![Members of St. Mary's Parish in Caracas distributing contents of the first shipment from Canada](image)

The second, weighing 240 pounds, was sponsored by the IAF and the Diocese of the West. It has been sent by sea from Los Angeles, California and should arrive in Caracas soon.

More detailed information will follow. Please contact Erv Lischke in Victor, Montana at (406) 642-3085 or (406) 381-6890 or via email at iafoffice@wildblue.net with questions.
A Hole in Time
Introduction

We have just said the angels' song, 'Holy, Holy, Holy'. There is a hush. Father pauses, lifts his hands and his eyes toward heaven, and begins the great Prayer of Consecration, "All glory be to thee...". Suddenly I have a sense of the timelessness of what we are doing. I seem to hear not only the words of our Prayer Book, but also 'Teigitur clementissime Pater...' and '...Holy and all-holy...' and the many other ways that prayer begins in other places. I seem to see not only our own little New Hampshire church, but also an ancient Saxon chapel, an Irish Culdee praying, a pompous solemn cathedral Mass, a...

Time is irrelevant. There is (in the eternal scheme of things) only one Mass, and we are there...

A Hole in Time

...and hands raise up,
and eyes lift up,
and a voice speaks up,
and a voice speaks up,
and a voice...

...and a voice, and a voice, and a voice...

...and in a wattled shrine of Saxon days,
and on a lonely Celtic isle,
in cathedrals great and granite,
newly built in days gone by,
and in the ancient, aging piles of stone,
that still remain today,
and in a hidden persecuted room,
where faith, attacked, costs dear
and at the altar of His rising up,
where glorious pomp prevails,
and as the trumpet sounds for His return,
while the last of Masses here below is said,
...the countless hands lift up,
umnumbered eyes are raised,
and multitudes of voices speak,
a sound like rushing mighty waters flowing,
flowing through the streams of time,
rushing o'er the many rapids
of the clamoring strifes of men,
and in a world with sin's pollution
deeply filled,
the river runs, the voices speak,
and yet are speaking...
...voices numberless beyond all counting
(yet the voices are but one),
and hands that lift up,
holding sacred things,
though many, are likewise here but one,
and eyes that now towards heaven are turned,
are one with those that now look down,
for many priests there are, but only one,
and many Masses offered, yet but one,
for at the altar time and space are vanquished,
and here He offers once the one oblation,
and many priests and many altars
there may be,
but here...

...His hands raise up,
His eyes lift up
His voice speaks up,
and He is here,
and we are there, and...

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First Deaconess in the Diocese at St. Margaret Conway

On Sunday, March 17, 2018, Tracy L. Gardner was set apart by Bishop Marsh as the first deaconess in the Anglican Church in America, Diocese of the Northeast.

The role of deaconess has a long history in the church going back to the time of Paul in his letter to the Romans, Ch. 16:1 where he mentions “Phoebe, a deaconess.”

Tracy is the organist and choir director of St. Margaret of Scotland. She graduated last March from Logos House with an associate degree in sacred theology. Her ministry as deaconess will be her music and assisting her rector, Fr. Jeffrey Monroe.

Our second deaconess, Valerie Kazarian, was set apart shortly after this at St. Augustine Scarborough (see report elsewhere). We look with joy and expectation at the revival of this ancient ministry among us. May their work be richly blessed.

New Clergy

Dear Friends,

We will have several new clergy this year. Please add them to your lists for synod, clericus and the NEA. I will have more complete contact information going forward. Here is what I have at present:

   62 Maple Ave, Leominster, MA 01453
   (M) 978-340-0908

2. Deacon Scott Chase (anticipated ordination, Sept. 8)
   Contact information in present directories

3. Deacon James Hogan (anticipated ordination October 26)
   NOTE: Jim's ordination will occur just before the synod business meeting. As an ordained deacon, he will be able to participate a member of the clergy.
   4. Father Robert Menas (assigned to St. Augustine's as regular supply)
   628 Weston Road
   Warren, ME 04864
   bobm_msn.com

Faithfully,
+Brian
Parishes and Missions

**Connecticut**

Mystic: St. Matthias—(at Old Mystic Village, Coogan Blvd.) Su n 10:30AM 
Fr. Merrill Perkins 860-581-0484

Deep River: St. Peter—Sun 4.00PM 
(Wooster Chapel, 57 High St.) Fr. Merrill Perkins 860-581-0484

**Maine**

Camden: Resurrection Mission (at members’ homes.) Dcn. Leroy Weed
lay contact David Bardon (207)336-2421.

Debois: St. Francis 
Fr. James Dumond 1069 Rt 193 (207)638-2441

Ellsworth: St. Thomas - Sun 10am 
(373 Bangor Rd., Rt. 1A) (207)667-2001. 
Fr. Ed Kalish, Fr. Frank Gray, Dcn Kevin Kelly, Dcn. Leroy Weed

Mechanic Falls: Transfiguration, 64 Elm St., Sun 10am, Wed 9.30am 
Fr Gary Drinkwater 207-312-7318

**Portland: St. Paul**

Sun 8 & 10 am (279 Congress St.) 
(207)828-2012. 
Fr Andrew Faust,

Raymond: Our Lady of Seven Sorrows Priory 
for service times call ahead (4 Shaw Road) 
(207)655-4441 Rev. Prior Kevin LaMarre, OSB

Scarborough: St. Augustine of Canterbury - 
Sun 10.30am, (United Methodist Church, 2 Church St.), (207)799-5141 
Lay Pastor Mr, Mike McKinnon

Waterville: Holy Trinity - Friday 10am 
as announced.  Call ahead for dates. 
Dcn. Kevin Kelly (207)990-0085

**Massachusetts**

Belchertown: occasional services 
at the bishop’s oratory (1 Main Street) 
contact Bishop Marsh (413)323-7869

**New Hampshire**

Amherst: St. Luke - Sun 8.30 & 10am 
(3 Limbo Lane) (603)672-6054. 
Bp. Alexander H. Webb

Charlestown: Good Shepherd - Sun 9am 
(20 Summer St.) (603)835-6279 
Bishop Brian Marsh.

Concord: All Saints’ - Sun 9am 
124F Hall Street (603)545-9079 
Fr. Christian Tutor OSA.

Conway: St. Margaret of Scotland - Sun 10am 
(85 Pleasant St.) (603)447-2404 
Fr. Jeffrey Monroe, Dcn Harry Wellsman

Rochester: Trinity - Sun 8 & 10am 
(180 Rochester Hill Road) (603)332-4121 
Fr. Matthew Mirabile 203-243-8050

**New York**

Brooklyn: St. Joseph - Sun 11am (123-131 
Arlington Avenue). Canon Neville Brathwaite 
(718) 756-1258, Dcn. Herby Rodney, Dcn Mark Black

Canandaigua: Holy Redeemer - Sun 10am 
(4575 Rte 364 - East Lake Road). 
Fr. David Leo, 585-978-5236

Halfmoon (Clifton Park): St. Thomas of Canterbury—Sun 10am (242 Grooms Road) 
Fr. John Bassett 518-584-6812

Tuxedo: St. Elizabeth - Sun 10am 
(38 Chapel Turn, Eagle Valley) 
Fr. Jim Hurd

Webster: Holy Cross - Sun 10am 
(615 Bay Road). (585) 671-0411 
Fr. Edward Ihde, Fr. Tom Stone

West Seneca NY: St. Nicholas. Sun 9.30am 
(539 Main Street) Fr. Edward Ihde 716-804-2615, 
Fr. Phillip Cunningham, Fr. Eugene Bagen

West Winfield: St. Lucy Mr. Greg Conklin, 145 
State Route 51, West Winfield, NY 13491, 315-822-5314.  Fr. Richard Dibble

**Vermont**

Wells: St. David: A house church, 
Pastor James Hogan (802-265-2206

White River Jct.: Trinity—Sun 11.15am 
(At Valley Bible Church, 851 Fairview Terrace,) 
Fr. Stephen Rugg (603-523-9640)
Clergy Anniversaries

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

Sep
08 - Fr. Kevin LaMarre OSB, P 2001
10 - Fr Rich Dibble, D 2000
20 - Bp. Owen Williams, birthday
24 – Dcn, Mark Black, birthday 1969

Oct
05 - Bp George Langberg, birthday
12 - Dcn Harry Wellman Birthday
16 – Fr. Frank Bartlett, birthday
17 - Fr. James Dumond, birthday
17 – Fr. Ed Ihde. P 2012
19 – Fr. Alexander Webb birthday 1951
25 - Fr Rich Dibble, birthday
28 - Fr. Neville Braithwaite  P 1979

Nov
05 – Fr. Frank Grey, birthday
07 - Bp Brian Marsh, birthday
23 – Fr. David Moody, birthday 1937

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

Next Issue in December
Deadline for submissions will be around November 15.