

The Episcopal Diocese of Maine

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

1 Advent 2016 through Christ the King 2017

Eucharistic Lectionary Year A

Daily Office Lectionary Year 1

2016

27 November ~ Advent 1

For the congregations of

St. Michael's, Auburn

St. John's, Bangor

For our newly elected President and all government officials.

For all migrants and refugees.

4 December ~ Advent 2

For the congregations of

St. Barnabas' and St. Matthew's, Hallowell

For openness to the Word of God and the spread of the Gospel.

11 December ~ Advent 3

For the Church @ 209, Augusta: St Mark's Episcopal and Prince of Peace Lutheran

For our Hispanic sisters and brothers on the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

18 December ~ Advent 4 ~ *Gun Violence Prevention*

Join places of worship across the nation, the Washington National Cathedral, the Newtown Foundation, Faiths United to Prevent Gun Violence, and Episcopal Bishops United Against Gun Violence, including Bishop Lane, to remember those who have lost their lives to gunfire, pray for those whose lives have been forever changed because of the loss of a loved one, and to educate one another on proven strategies to reduce gun violence.

24 December ~ Hannukah Begins

25 December ~ *Christmas Day*

Oh God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ.

For Peace on Earth.

26 December ~ Kwanzaa Begins

2017

1 January 2017 Epiphany ~ *The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ*

For the congregations of

Grace, Bath

St. Margaret's, Belfast

St. Peter's, Rockland

For Diocesan Youth Events and Ministries.

8 January ~ Epiphany 1 *Baptism of our Lord*

“Because of the mystery of the Word made flesh, you caused a new light to shine in our hearts. Help us to be a light of peace to the world.”
(Preface for Epiphany)

For the victims of human trafficking and those who work to combat it on National Human Trafficking Awareness Day (11 Jan)

15 January ~ Epiphany 2 ~ Week of Prayer for Christian Unity *“The Love of Christ Compels Us”*

The Diocesan Jubilee Centers
Trinity, Lewiston
Seeds of Hope, Biddeford
St. Elizabeth’s, Portland

22 January ~ Epiphany 3

For the congregations of
St. Francis by-the-Sea, Blue Hill
St. Columba’s, Boothbay Harbor
For the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement and Presiding Bishop Michael Curry.

29 January ~ Epiphany 4

For the Congregations of
St. Peter’s, Bridgton
Church of the Good Shepherd, Rangeley
For those in the ministries of teaching and Christian Formation.
For *Living Local: Joining God*

5 February ~ Epiphany 5

For the Congregations of
St. John’s, Brownville Junction
St. Augustine’s, Dover-Foxcroft
For the sick and those who care for them.

12 February ~ Epiphany 6 *Racial Justice Sunday*

For the Congregations of
St. Paul’s, Brunswick
St. Alban’s, Cape Elizabeth
For justice and peace in the world.

19 February ~ Epiphany 7

The congregations of

St. Anne's, Calais
Trinity, Castine

For the unemployed and underemployed.

26 February ~ Last Epiphany

The congregations of

St. Thomas', Camden

St. Brendan, Deer Isle

For the families of clergy in the Episcopal Diocese of Maine.

1 March ~ Ash Wednesday

5 March ~ Lent 1

The congregations of

St. Mary the Virgin, Falmouth

St. Ann's, Windham

Episcopal Relief and Development

United Thank Offering

12 March ~ Lent 2

The congregations of

St. Paul's, Fort Fairfield

Church of the Good Shepherd, Houlton

For the needy and hungry.

19 March ~ Lent 3

The congregations of

Christ Church, Eastport

St. Aidan's, Machias

For the wardens and vestries of the congregations in the Diocese of Maine

26 March ~ Lent 4

The congregations of

St. Dunstan's, Ellsworth

Church of Our Father, Hulls Cove

For the Dioceses of Province One.

2 April ~ Lent 5

The congregations of

St. Giles, Jefferson

Trinity, Lewiston

9 April ~ Palm Sunday

For new members of the Church, penitents and seekers.

For our Jewish sisters and brothers as Passover begins.

16 April ~ Easter

Alleluia. Christ is Risen. The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.
For new life in our homes, our families, and our communities.

23 April ~ Easter 2 ~ Earth Day

The congregations of
St. David's, Kennebunk
The Cathedral Church of St. Luke, Portland

For the reverent care of all creation.

For the ministry of our parish administrators, secretaries, treasurers and others who attend the administrative needs of our congregations.

30 April ~ Easter 3

For the Congregations of
Church of the Advent, Limestone
St. John's, Presque Isle

For all vocations, discerners, postulants and candidates for Holy Orders in the Episcopal Diocese of Maine.

7 May ~ Easter 4

For our Bishop, Stephen T. Lane, Ninth Bishop of Maine, in the 10th year of his consecration.

14 May ~ Easter 5 ~ Mother's Day

The congregations of
St. Matthew's, Lisbon Falls
Christ Church, Norway and Trinity (Lutheran) South Paris

For the right use of the media.

21 May ~ Easter 6

For the Congregations of
St. Andrew's, Millinocket
St. Barnabas', Rumford

For our Muslim sisters and brothers as they enter the month of Ramadan on May 26.

25 May ~ Feast of the Ascension

28 May ~ Memorial Day

For those who have died in service to their country.

4 June ~ Pentecost

The summer chapel congregations of
All Saints by the Sea, Bailey Island
All Saints', Orr's Island

For all graduates.

11 June ~ Trinity Sunday

The summer chapel congregations of

St. Philip's by the Sea, Fortunes Rocks

St. Martin's in the Field, Biddeford Pool

For the mission and ministry of Camp Bishopswood, its staff and campers, in the 2017 season.

18 June ~ Pentecost 2 ~ Father's Day

The congregations of

Trinity Chapel, Kennebunk Beach

St. Ann's, Kennebunkport

For all students, faculty, administrators and staff as summer vacations begins.

25 June ~ Pentecost 3

The congregations of

St. James', Prout's Neck

Holy Trinity, Peaks Island

For those who suffer persecution, oppression and denial of human rights.

2 July ~ Pentecost 4

For our nation.

9 July ~ Pentecost 5

The summer chapel congregations of

Trinity Chapel, York Harbor

St. Peter's by-the-Sea, Cape Neddick

16 July ~ Pentecost 6

The congregations of

St. Mark's, Waterville

St. Peter's, Portland

For all the Priests of the Diocese of Maine.

23 July ~ Pentecost 7

The congregations of

St. John Baptist, Thomaston

Christ Church, Gardiner

30 July ~ Pentecost 8

The congregations of

St. Patrick, Brewer

St. James', Old Town

6 August ~ Transfiguration

The summer chapel congregations of

St. Cuthbert's, Macmahan Island
All Saints, Southport

13 August ~ Pentecost 10

The summer chapel congregations of
Church of the Redeemer, Sorrento
St. Christopher by the Sea, Winter Harbor

20 August ~ Pentecost 11

The summer chapel congregations of
St. George's, Tenant's Harbor
Summer Services, North Haven
For seafarers and those who make their living from the earth and from the sea

27 August ~ Pentecost 12

The summer chapel congregations of
Christ Church Dark Harbor, Isleboro
Our Lady of the Evergreens, Harborside

3 September ~ Pentecost 13 ~ Labor Day

For the congregations of
St. Andrew's, Newcastle
St. Mary & St. Jude, Northeast Harbor
For all the Deacons of the Diocese of Maine.

10 September ~ Pentecost 14

For the beginning of the program year.
For students, educators, school administrators and staff, and those dedicated to the ministry of
Christian Education and Formation as the school and program years begin.

17 September ~ Pentecost 15

For justice and peace in the world.
For the people and clergy of our Companion Diocese of Haiti.
For our Jewish sisters and brothers who begin the celebration of Rosh Hashanah this week.

24 September ~ Pentecost 16

For the congregation of
St. Martin's, Palmyra
All Saints', Skowhegan
For Civil Discourse during a time of election.
For the harvest, and the fruits of human work.

1 October ~ Pentecost 17 ~ World Habitat Day

For the congregation of

Trinity, Portland
St. Nicholas', Scarborough

For those who suffer persecution, oppression and denial of human rights

8 October ~ Pentecost 18

For the congregations of
St. George, Sanford
Trinity, Saco

For the victims of war.

15 October ~ Pentecost 19

For all who are preparing for, and will attend, the 198th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Maine.
For the Standing Committee, Diocesan Council and other decision making bodies of our Diocese.

22 October ~ Pentecost 20

For the Sustainable Development Goals of The Episcopal Church and United Nations.
For our Ecumenical Partners and the Maine Council of Churches.
For all who are preparing for, and will attend, the 198th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Maine on October 28th.

29 October ~ Pentecost 21

For the democratic process and the right to vote.
For Civil Discourse during a time of election.
For our sisters and brothers in common mission in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America on the 500th anniversary of Reformation Sunday.

1 November *All Saints Day*

5 November ~ Pentecost 22 or All Saints

For the congregations of
St. Philip's, Wiscasset
St. Andrew, Winthrop
Winthrop Center Friends Church (Quaker)

For those incarcerated and those who love them.

12 November ~ Pentecost 23

St. Luke's, Wilton
St. Thomas', Winn

For all who serve and have served in the armed forces of our country at home and abroad as we honor them on Veteran's Day.

19 November ~ Pentecost 24

For the congregation of

St. Bartholomew, Yarmouth
St. George's, York Harbor

26 November ~ *Christ the King*

For the Trustees, the Commission on Ministry and other decision making bodies of the Episcopal Diocese of Maine.

For the staff of the Episcopal Diocese of Maine.

For more information about the congregations in Maine and the summer chapels, please visit <http://www.episcopalmaine.org/map/index.html> and http://www.episcopalmaine.org/congregations/summer_chapels.html

