

THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF MAINE

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

1 Advent 2017 through Christ the King 2018

Please pray each Sunday for the Episcopal Transition:

God of Grace, we give you thanks for all of the blessings of our common life and ministries as the Episcopal Diocese of Maine, and for our leaders who are guiding us through this season of change. Grant to the Discernment and Transition Committees open hearts, minds, and spirits as they receive the Holy Spirit's gifts of faith, hope, and love to aid their work. We ask also that you send courage and vision to our next bishop of Maine as she or he discerns your call.

The Rev. Cn. Nancy Moore, Chaplain

2017

3 December ~ Advent 1

The congregations of

The Aroostook Episcopal Cluster

St. Paul's, Ft. Fairfield

Church of the Advent, Limestone

St. John's, Presque Isle

For the children of the world

10 December ~ Advent 2

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

For all immigrants and refugees and the ministries that serve them

17 December ~ Advent 3

The congregation of

St. John's, Bangor

For postulants and candidates for holy orders and the Commission on Ministry

For those grieving the loss of a loved one this holiday season

24 December ~ Advent 4~ Christmas Eve

The congregations of

St. Michael's, Auburn

Trinity, Lewiston

For Trinity Jubilee Center, Lewiston

For those who advocate for the poor, the lonely and the oppressed

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

31 December ~ Christmas 1 ~ *The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ*

The congregations of

The Episcopal Church of Saints Matthew & Barnabas, Hallowell
Emmanuel Lutheran Episcopal Church, Augusta

2018

6 January ~ Epiphany

“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 spread of the Gospel to all the world

7 January ~ Epiphany 1

For the victims of human trafficking and those working to combat it

For those in the diocese engaged in *Living Local: Joining God*

14 January ~ Epiphany 2

The congregations of

St. Thomas', Camden

St. Peter's, Rockland

21 January ~ Epiphany 3

The congregations of

St. Mary's, Falmouth

St. Bartholomew's, Yarmouth

For church leaders everywhere during this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, that they may work together and promote unity among Christians

28 January ~ Epiphany 4

The congregations of

St. David's, Kennebunk

St. George's, Sanford

For the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement and Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

4 February ~ Epiphany 5

For all those in ministries of teaching and Christian formation

For the work of Episcopal Relief & Development

11 February ~ Epiphany 6

The congregations of

Church of the Good Shepherd, Houlton

St. Francis-by-the-Sea, Blue Hill

For United Thank Offering

14 February ~ Ash Wednesday

18 February ~ Lent 1

For the needy and the hungry
For the sick and those who care for them

25 February ~Lent 2

The congregations of
St. Patrick's, Brewer
St. James', Old Town

4 March ~ Lent 3

The congregations of
St. Barnabas', Rumford
St. Luke's, Wilton
Christ Church, Gardiner
For the families of clergy in the diocese

11 March ~Lent 4

The congregations of
Trinity Church, Saco
St. George's, York Harbor
For Seeds of Hope Neighborhood Center in Biddeford

18 March ~ Lent 5

The congregations of
Grace Church, Bath
St. Philips', Wiscasset
For all church musicians and choirs

25 March ~ Palm Sunday

The congregations of
St. Peter's, Portland
Trinity, Portland
For justice and peace in the world

1 April ~ Easter Sunday

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

8 April ~ Easter 2

The congregations of
St. John's, Brownville Junction
St. Augustine's, Dover-Foxcroft
For the wardens and vestries of the congregations in the Diocese of Maine

15 April ~ Easter 3

The congregations of
St. Anne's, Calais
Christ Church, Eastport
St. Aidan's, Machias
For parishes in transition

22 April~ Easter 4

The congregations of
Christ Church, Norway
Trinity (Lutheran), South Paris
For the reverent care of all creation as we approach Earth Day
For all preparing for and attending Spring Training Day this Saturday

29 April~ Easter 5

For new members of the Church, penitents and seekers
For the ministry of the staff and volunteers who attend to the administrative needs of our churches

6 May ~ Easter 6

The congregations of
St. Martin's, Palmyra
St. Andrew's, Winthrop
Winthrop Center Friends' Church (Quaker)
For our Bishop, Stephen T. Lane, Ninth Bishop of Maine, in the 11th year of his consecration.

13 May ~Easter 7 ~ *Mother's Day*

The congregations of
St. Margaret's, Belfast
St. Andrew's, Newcastle

20 May ~ Pentecost

For those incarcerated, those who love them and those who minister to them
For students who are graduating

27 May ~ Trinity Sunday

The congregations of
St. Alban's, Cape Elizabeth
St. Nicholas', Scarborough
For Memorial Day as we remember all who have died in the service of their country

3 June~ Pentecost 2

The congregations of
St. Andrew's, Millinocket
St. Thomas', Winn
For the victims of gunfire and those who have lost a loved one to gun violence
For Gun Violence Awareness Week

10 June ~ Pentecost 3

For the congregations of

St. Matthew's, Lisbon

Good Shepherd, Rangeley

For the mission and ministry of Camp Bishopswood, its staff and campers, in the 2018 season

17 June ~ Pentecost 4 ~ *Father's Day*

The congregations of

All Saints', Skowhegan

St. Mark's, Waterville

For students and faculty as summer vacation begins

24 June ~ Pentecost 5

The congregations of

St. Giles', Jefferson

St. John Baptist, Thomaston

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

1 July ~ Pentecost 6

The summer chapel congregations of

Trinity, York Harbor

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

For our nation on our upcoming Independence Day

8 July ~ Pentecost 7

The summer chapel congregations of

Trinity Chapel, Kennebunk Beach

St. Ann's by-the-Sea, Kennebunkport

For General Convention of The Episcopal Church and our Maine deputation

15 July ~ Pentecost 8

The summer chapel congregations of

St. Philip's by-the-Sea, Fortunes Rocks

St. Martin's in-the-Field, Biddeford Pool

For the New England dioceses of Province One

22 July ~ Pentecost 9

The summer chapel congregations of

St. James', Prouts Neck

Holy Trinity, Peak's Island

For those serving in lay liturgical ministries

29 July ~ Pentecost 10

The summer chapel congregations of

All Saints by-the-Sea, Bailey Island

All Saints, Orr's Island

For seafarers and those who make their living from the earth and from the sea

5 August ~ Pentecost 11 ~ *Transfiguration*

The summer chapel congregations of

St. Cuthbert's, MacMahan Island

All Saints by-the-Sea, Southport

12 August ~ Pentecost 12

The summer chapel congregation of

St. George's, Tenants Harbor

For Summer Services, North Haven

For those participating in Summer Finale Camp at Bishopswood

19 August~ Pentecost 13

The summer chapel congregations of

Christ Church Dark Harbor, Isleboro

Our Lady of the Evergreens, Harborside

26 August ~ Pentecost 14

The summer chapel congregations of

Church of the Redeemer, Sorrento

St. Christopher's By-the-Sea, Winter Harbor

2 September~ Pentecost 15

For all who labor and work, for parents who labor to care for their families, and for all who seek the dignity of meaningful employment

9 September ~ Pentecost 16

For the congregations of

St. Peter's, Bridgton

St. Ann's, Windham

For students and educators in the new school year

For all Christian Education and Sunday School programs

16 September ~ Pentecost 17

For the Standing Committee, the Diocesan Council and other decision-making bodies of the Diocese of Maine

For the harvest, and the fruits of human work

23 September ~ Pentecost 18

For all ministries of racial reconciliation and racial justice

For the people and clergy of Companion Diocese of Haiti

30 September ~ Pentecost 19

For the Trustees and other decision-making bodies of the Diocese of Maine

For fulfilling the basic right of all people to adequate shelter as we approach the United Nations' World Habitat Day

7 October ~ Pentecost 20

For the congregation of

St. Dunstan's, Ellsworth

For the Maine Council of Churches and all of our ecumenical and interfaith partners this World Communion Sunday

14 October ~ Pentecost 21

For the priests of the Diocese of Maine

For civil discourse during a time of election

21 October ~ Pentecost 22

For diocesan staff and all who are preparing for and will attend, the 199th Convention of the Diocese of Maine

28 October ~ Pentecost 23

For the congregation of

The Cathedral Church of St. Luke

For St. Elizabeth's Jubilee Center in Portland

For our sisters and brothers in common mission in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America on Reformation Sunday

4 November ~ Pentecost 24 ~ *All Saints Sunday*

For the congregations of

St. Mary & St. Jude, Northeast Harbor

Trinity, Castine

St. Brendan the Navigator, Deer Isle

For the deacons of the Diocese of Maine

11 November ~ Pentecost 25

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

18 November ~ Pentecost 26

For the congregations of

St. Andrew and St. John, Southwest Harbor

St. Saviour's, Bar Harbor

Church of Our Father, Hulls Cove

For all victims of war

25 November ~ Last Pentecost ~ *Christ the King*

For the congregations of

St. Columba's, Boothbay Harbor

St. Paul's, Brunswick

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