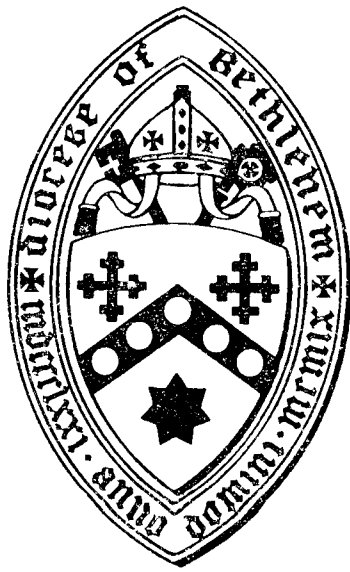


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OFFICERS OF THE DIOCESE

The Secretary of the Diocese

The Rev. Douglas Moyer
M: 333 Wyandotte Street, Bethlehem, PA 18015

The Treasurer

The Rev. Charlie Barebo
M: 333 Wyandotte Street, Bethlehem, PA 18015

The Chancellor

Linda Henry, Esquire
M: 333 Wyandotte Street, Bethlehem, PA 18015

COMMITTEES OF THE CONVENTION

The Constitution & Canons Committee – Resolutions Committee

Linda Henry, Esq., Trinity Church, Bethlehem
Ty Welles, Esq., St. Peter's Church, Tunkhannock
The Rev. Canon Anne Kitch, Diocesan Staff
The Rev. John Hartman, Grace Church, Kingston
Todd Moffett, Esq., Christ Church, Susquehanna
The Rev. Lou Divis, St. Peter's, Tunkhannock

Committee for Resolutions of Courtesy

The Rev. John Wagner, Chair, St. Mark's & St. John's, Jim Thorpe

Committee on Unfinished Business & Dispatch

The Rev. Canon Anne Kitch, Diocesan Staff
The Rev. Megan Dembi, St. Thomas, Morgantown

Judges of Election

John Bates
Elizabeth Grohowski
Barbara Iannelli

2016-2017 COMMITTEES OF THE DIOCESE

Members of the Standing Committee

The Standing Committee, consisting of five clergy and five laypersons, is the Ecclesiastical Authority in the absence of the Bishop or during a vacancy of the Episcopate. The Committee is elected by the Convention. It has authority to fill all vacancies that may occur during a recess of Convention, and it reports to the Convention. Election is for five-year terms; part of the committee being elected each year; no one elected shall be eligible for re-election after serving two consecutive terms until after the expiration of one year.

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe, Bishop

Class of 2017

The Rev. Canon Andrew Gerns, (2), Trinity, Easton
Kate Fanning, (1), Christ Church, Reading

Class of 2018

The Rev. James Rinehart, (1), retired - Vice-President
Raymond Arcario, (1), Cathedral Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem

Class of 2019

The Rev. Earl Trygar, (1), St. Mark's, Moscow
Liza Holzinger, (1), St. Andrew's, Allentown - Secretary

Class of 2020

The Rev. Canon Jane Bender, (1), All Saints, Lehighton
Carol McMullen, (1), St. Luke's Scranton

Class of 2021

The Rev. J. Douglas Moyer, (1), Christ Church, Stroudsburg - President
Lynne Graham, (1), St. Paul's Montrose

Members of the Commission on Ministry

The Commission on Ministry assists and advises the Bishop in the selection and guidance of those entering the ministry; in continuing education; and other matters relating to the ministry of the laity, ordination, and deployment. Six members are elected by the Convention, and "No one so elected shall be eligible for re-election after having served two consecutive terms until after the expiration of one year." The Bishop shall annually appoint six members for a term of one year.

Class of 2017

The Rev. Brian Pavlac, (1), St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral, Wilkes-Barre
Robert Schreiber, (1), Christ Church, Forest City

Class of 2018

The Rev. Jane Williams, (1), St. Andrews, Allentown
Peg Gerns, (1), Trinity, Easton

Class of 2019

The Rev. Laura Howell, (1), Trinity, Bethlehem
Nancy Rinehart, (1), retired

Appointed by Bishop Sean

The Rev. Michael Piovane, retired
The Rev. Fran Hlavacek, Good Shepherd & St. John the Evangelist, Milford
The Rev. Susan Treanor, Trinity, Mt. Pocono
Virginia Falzone, Holy Cross, Wilkes-Barre
Jay Freeman, Christ Church, Stroudsburg
TBA

Members of the Diocesan Council

The Diocesan Council, with the Bishop as President, constitutes the executive leadership of the Diocese. It is responsible for the oversight of strategic and program planning, administration of the program and review. It reports to the Convention. Members are elected by the Convention for a three-year term. “No one so elected shall be eligible for re-election after having served two consecutive terms until after the expiration of one year.” The Bishop and the Treasurer are ex-officio members.

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe, Bishop

Class of 2017

The Rev. John C. Wagner, (1), St. Mark’s & St. John’s, Jim Thorpe
The Rev. Rodney Conn, (1), Cathedral Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem
Richard Evans, (1), St. Martin’s, Mountain Top
Judith Ferree, (1), St. James’ & St. George’s, Jermyn

Class of 2018

The Rev. David Green, (1), St. Gabriel’s, Douglassville
The Rev. Van Bankston, (1), Good Shepherd & St. John the Evangelist, Milford
Will Hanson, (1), St. James’, Schuylkill Haven
Jim Harding, (1), St. Anne’s, Trexlertown

Class of 2019

The Rev. Lou Divis, (1), St. Peter’s, Tunkhannock
The Rev. Tim Alleman, (1), Holy Cross, Wilkes-Barre
Ron Honeywell, (1), St. Stephen’s Pro Cathedral, (0), Wilkes-Barre
Sandra Pease Darde, (1), St. Paul’s, Montrose

Ex Officio

The Ven. Richard I. Cluett, Archdeacon
The Rev. Canon Anne E. Kitch, Diocesan Staff
Charles V. Barebo, Diocesan Treasurer

General Convention Deputies

C1 The Very Rev. Tony Pompa, The Cathedral Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem

C2 The Rev. T. Scott Allen, St. Andrew's Allentown

C3 The Rev. Canon Anne E. Kitch, Diocesan Staff

C4 The Rev. Megan Dembi, St. Thomas, Morgantown

Alternates:

CA1 The Rev. Maria Tjeltveit, Church of the Mediator, Allentown

CA2 The Rev. Jane Bender, retired

CA3 The Rev. John C. Wagner, St. Mark's & St. John's, Jim Thorpe

CA4 The Rev. Canon Andrew Gerns, Trinity, Easton

L1 Cathy Bailey, The Cathedral Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem

L2 Mark Laubach, (tie) St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral, Wilkes-Barre

L3 Linda Rogers, (tie) Church of the Epiphany, Clarks Summit

L4 Sophie Kitch-Peck, The Cathedral Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem

Alternates:

LA1 Rebecca Beal, St. Luke's Scranton

LA2 Peter Gonze, Trinity Mt. Pocono

CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF BETHLEHEM

as of October 31, 2016 - Arranged in the Order of Canonical Residence

THE BISHOP

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe03/01/14

Name	Date Retired	Date Canonical Residence
Coble, The Rev. John R. Jr	07/01/1997	06/15/1963
Fill, The Rev. Michael J.	01/01/1998	06/26/1965
Carr, The Rev. Canon Clifford B. Jr	01/01/2001	06/21/1967
Male, The Rev. Canon Henry A. Jr	01/01/1994	09/18/1967
Roth, The Rev. Ralph	02/01/1998	12/01/1967
Loeffler, The Rev. Canon George C.	01/01/2013	02/05/1968
Gill, The Rev. James L.	07/01/1991	06/16/1968
Zabriskie, The Rev. Alexander C. Jr	02/01/1995	07/18/1969
Knapp, The Rev. Donald H.	01/01/1994	03/31/1970
Howells, The Rev. Donald A.	Retired	12/19/1970
Carlyon, The Rev. Robert D.	01/01/1998	07/07/1971
Richards, The Rev. Gerald W.	01/01/1997	09/05/1972
Matylewicz, The Rev. Stephen J.	01/01/2004	06/22/1977
Cluett, The Venerable Richard I.	01/01/2005	03/01/1978
Bray, The Rev. Canon Doris S.	04/01/1999	09/01/1978
Howe, The Rev. Dr. Raymond J	10/31/2009	09/01/1978
Beem, The Rev. Charles L.	Retired	12/01/1978
Krieger, The Rev. Canon Walter	01/01/2004	11/01/1979
Myers, The Rev. Elizabeth W.	02/01/2000	10/28/1980
Romeril, The Rev. Canon Gwendolyn-Jane	03/01/2002	06/13/1981

Teter, The Rev. Canon Jane E.	11/01/2009	09/07/1983
Schenkel, The Very Rev. Robert Jr	01/01/1996	11/03/1984
Gildersleeve, The Rev. Robert K	06/01/2005	01/28/1985
Magnus, The Rev. Robert F.	02/01/1996	09/08/1986
Day, The Rev. Charles Van	02/01/1996	12/04/1986
Snyder, The Rev. Albert (Eric) Eric	01/01/1993	04/16/1987
Shallcross, The Rev. Canon Lexa H.	07/01/2010	05/30/1987
Hart Garner, The Rev. Eleanor E.	06/01/2011	04/22/1989
Holman, The Rev. J Lawrence		05/20/1989
Wagner, The Rev. John C.		06/01/1989
Blumer, The Rev. Gary	07/01/1996	04/30/1991
Lefevre, The Rev. Ann R.	01/10/2013	05/23/1991
Bartlett, The Rev. Lois S.	08/01/2001	06/08/1991
Lentz, The Rev. Benjamin L.	02/01/2007	10/30/1991
Doohan, The Rev. Sue West	04/01/2003	11/19/1991
Moulton, The Rev. Elizabeth	01/01/2006	08/31/1992
Stringfellow, The Venerable Howard		09/14/1993
Piovane, The Rev. Canon Michael	10/01/2015	10/31/1993
Hipple, The Rev. Canon Maureen AtLee		01/06/1994
Day, The Rev. Canon Virginia Rex	07/01/2008	04/23/1994
Kern, The Rev. Canon Karl L.	09/30/2016	04/23/1994
Sefchick, The Rev. Dr. Frank S.	01/01/2008	09/21/1994
Cliff, The Rev. F. Graham Graja,	07/01/2005	10/07/1994
Morris, The Rev. Canon Charles H.	01/01/2006	07/19/1995
Berk, The Rev. Dennis B. A.		11/14/1995
Turrell, The Rev. James F.		06/08/1996
Marshall, The Rt Rev. Paul V.	01/01/2014	06/29/1996
De Acetis, The Rev. Joseph L.	01/01/2000	06/11/1997
Haynes, The Rev. Elizabeth S.	03/01/2010	06/14/1997
Jones, The Rev. Daniel G.	01/01/1993	06/14/1997
Leo, The Rev. John	07/01/1988	11/14/1997
Miller, The Rev. Laurence H.	01/01/2002	03/10/1998
Erb, The Rev. Edward K.		06/29/1998
Bender, The Rev. Jane A.	2016	09/19/1998
Hinkle, The Rev. Daniel W.		01/12/1999
Tjeltveit, The Rev. Canon Maria W. E.		09/14/1999
Atkinson, The Rev. Canon Joel W.	06/01/2005	09/20/1999
Snyder, The Rev. Judith U.	09/01/2013	09/23/1999
Smith, The Rev. James C.	Retired	09/25/1999
Marshall, The Rev. William S. Jr	01/01/2011	10/01/1999
Lewellis, The Rev. Canon V. Bill E.	12/30/2009	11/01/1999
Major, The Rev. John C.		12/18/1999
Kitch, The Rev. Canon Anne E.		02/16/2000
D'Urbano, The Rev. Faith J.	05/01/2006	04/29/2000
Fitzsimmons, The Rev. Daniel V.		04/29/2000
Hazen, The Rev. Susan M.	Retired	04/29/2000
Howell, The Rev. Canon Laura M.		04/18/2001
Allen, The Rev. T. Scott		06/04/2001
Funk, The Rev. Jeffrey L.	01/01/2013	09/29/2001
McGinty, The Rev. William J.		09/29/2001
Diely, The Rev. Elizabeth B. A.	Retired	10/23/2001
Heffner, The Rev. John H.	08/01/2012	10/23/2001

Hunt, The Rev. Hazel B.		10/23/2001
Gerns, The Rev. Canon Andrew T.		01/21/2002
Cembalisty, The Rev. Susan	04/01/2015	03/01/2002
Gunn, The Rev. Dr. Daniel C.		04/06/2002
Peterson, The Rev. Iris		04/06/2002
Trygar, The Rev. Earl Sr		04/06/2002
Miller, The Rev. Elizabeth MacMillan		05/31/2003
Zanetti, The Rev. Diane P.		05/31/2003
Kaighn, The Rev. Reuel S.	02/01/2000	12/06/2003
Moser, The Rev. Pat MacMillan	01/01/2010	04/17/2004
Bader-Saye, The Rev. Demery		04/20/2004
Wible, The Rev. Terrence	06/01/2015	06/02/2004
Packard, The Rev. Nancy M.	08/01/2012	06/22/2004
Harbort, The Rev. Raymond L.	06/01/2004	10/12/2004
Hollywood, The Rev. Trula		09/14/2005
Francis, The Rev. Canon John R.		10/13/2005
Divis, The Rev. M Lou		05/17/2006
Sweeney, The Rev. Craig C.	05/01/2013	06/27/2006
Croneberger, The Rt Rev. John P.	02/01/2007	03/01/2007
Rinehart, The Rev. James A.	06/01/2015	03/01/2007
Schaible, The Rev. Donald		06/29/2007
Pompa, The Very Rev. Anthony R.		08/20/2007
Bosler, The Rev. Sally		09/29/2007
Meiss, The Rev. Marion		09/29/2007
Conn, The Rev. Rodney		02/02/2008
Reichard, The Rev. Bernice		02/02/2008
Smith, The Rev. Dolores Evans	Retired	02/02/2008
Valiath, The Rev. Abraham	08/2016	06/01/2008
Baldyga, The Rev. Andrea P.		06/04/2008
Baker, The Rev. Bruce		06/10/2008
Albright, The Rev. Timothy		02/02/2009
Moyer, The Rev. J. Douglas Douglas		02/02/2009
Parsons-Cancelliere, The Rev. Rebecca		02/02/2009
Sherrer, The Rev. Wayne		02/02/2009
Hartman, The Rev. John		09/15/2009
Pavlac, The Rev. Brian		12/21/2009
Sutton, The Rev. Christine		12/21/2009
Williams, The Rev. Dr. R Jane		04/13/2010
Mayo, The Rev. Jonathan J		07/16/2010
Alleman, The Rev. Timothy		07/22/2010
Rafferty, The Rev. Joseph		12/07/2010
Reed, The Rev. Elizabeth Hoffman		02/03/2011
Martin, The Rev. William L.	10/01/2010	05/12/2011
Hlavacek, The Rev. Frances		11/01/2011
Warwick, The Rev. Charles		11/02/2011
Criste-Troutman, The Rev. Robert		11/18/2011
Pearson, The Rev. Peter		01/26/2012
Mahaffey, The Rev. Glenn	10/31/2015	11/19/2012
Davis, The Rev. John W		12/21/2012
Reinholz, The Rev. Kimberly		01/31/2013
Green, The Rev. David		09/04/2013
Meneeley, The Rev. Beverly		03/02/2014

Moyer, The Rev. Canon Michelle	03/02/2014
Bankston, The Rev. Van	09/18/2014
Towers, The Rev. Paul	09/27/2014
van den Blink, The Rev. Han	12/03/2014
Barebo, The Rev. Charlie	04/19/2015
Barnes, The Rev. Rebecca	11/25/2015
Smith, The Rev. Twila	12/07/2015
Dembi, The Rev. Megan	12/10/2015
Treanor, The Rev. Susan Mary	02/12/2016
Grandfield, The Rev. Dale Terence	06/04/2016
Zwifka, The Rev. David	09/21/2016

2016 LICENSED TO OFFICIATE CLERGY

The Rev. Pervez Baig
 The Rev. Charles Cesaretti
 The Rev. Dr. Kelly Denton-Borhaug
 The Rev. Dr. Richard Ditterline
 The Rev. William Fairchild
 The Rev. Dr. Gerard Gaeta
 The Rev. Dr. Jane Gaeta
 The Rev. Hank Galganowicz
 The Rev. Canon Elizabeth Geitz
 The Rev. Ladd Harriss
 The Rev. John Marcantonio
 The Rev. Ronald R. Miller
 The Rev. Nickolas Servatas
 The Rev. Donald Shearer
 The Rev. Canon William Warne, II
 The Rev. Robert Wellner

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES TO CONVENTION

PARISH	NAME	ROLE
All Saints Church, Lehighton	Cyndi Levis	Elected Delegate
All Saints Church, Lehighton	Dillon Epler	Elected Delegate
Cathedral Church of the Nativity	Carl Chegwidde	Elected Delegate
Cathedral Church of the Nativity	Cathy Bailey	Elected Delegate
Cathedral Church of the Nativity	Kris Warner	Elected Delegate
Cathedral Church of the Nativity	Raymond Arcario	Elected Delegate
Cathedral Church of the Nativity	Joy Thiel	Elected Delegate
Cathedral Church of the Nativity	Dick Guyer	Elected Delegate
Christ Church, Forest City	Robert Schreiber	Elected Delegate
Christ Church, Reading	Nita Powell	Elected Delegate
Christ Church, Reading	Cliff Buckwalter	Elected Delegate
Christ Church, Reading	Pam Wheat	Elected Delegate
Christ Church, Stroudsburg	Patti Alleger	Elected Delegate

Christ Church, Stroudsburg	Michele Causton	Elected Delegate
Christ Church, Susquehanna	Todd Moffett	Elected Delegate
Church of the Epiphany, Glenburn	John Baidon	Elected Delegate
Church of the Epiphany, Glenburn	Linda Rogers	Elected Delegate
Church of the Good Shepherd & St. John the Evangelist	Patrice Singleton	Elected Delegate
Church of the Good Shepherd & St. John the Evangelist	Tim Singleton	Elected Delegate
Church of the Redeemer, Sayre	Gretchen Rentschler	Elected Delegate
Church of the Redeemer, Sayre	Linda Murrelle	Elected Delegate
Episcopal Church of the Mediator, Allentown	Barbara Dunn	Elected Delegate
Episcopal Church of the Mediator, Allentown	Theresa Meyers	Elected Delegate
Grace Church, Allentown	Addison Bross	Elected Delegate
Grace Church, Allentown	Mary Louise Bross	Alternate
Grace Church, Honesdale	Maggie Niles	Elected Delegate
Grace Church, Honesdale	Zach Wyckoff	Elected Delegate
Grace Church, Kingston	Michael Grady	Elected Delegate
Grace Church, Kingston	Sara McNelis	Elected Delegate
Holy Cross, Wilkes-Barre	Linda Abner	Elected Delegate
Holy Cross, Wilkes-Barre	Bill Falzone	Elected Delegate
Holy Cross, Wilkes-Barre	Vanessa Casterline	Elected Youth Delegate
North Parish, Ashland	Bonnie Baker	Elected Delegate
North Parish, Ashland	William Noble	Elected Delegate
Prince of Peace, Dallas	Jeff Algatt	Elected Delegate
Prince of Peace, Dallas	Brian Steve	Elected Delegate
St. Alban's, Sinking Spring	Kathy Fromuth	Elected Delegate
St. Alban's, Sinking Spring	Carol Jenkins	Elected Delegate
St. Andrew's, Alden	George Marr	Elected Delegate
St. Andrew's, Allentown/Bethlehem	Sue Boskett	Elected Delegate
St. Andrew's, Allentown/Bethlehem	Jean Evans	Elected Delegate
St. Andrew's, Allentown/Bethlehem	Liza Holzinger	Alternate
St. Anne's, Trexlertown	Carol Keane	Elected Delegate
St. Anne's, Trexlertown	John Sibre	Elected Delegate
St. Anne's, Trexlertown	John Bates	Elected Delegate
St. Brigid's, Nazareth	Mary Jo Julian	Elected Delegate
St. Brigid's, Nazareth	Jen McTighe	Elected Delegate
St. Clement & St. Peter's, Wilkes-Barre	Tom Jamieson	Elected Delegate
St. Gabriel's, Douglassville	Steve Fairbrother	Elected Delegate
St. Gabriel's, Douglassville	Carol Heist	Elected Delegate
St. Gabriel's, Douglassville	Ed McCorkle	Elected Delegate
St. George's, Hellertown	Marty Bongiorno	Elected Delegate
St. George's, Hellertown	Cheryl Glasker	Elected Delegate
St. James St George, Jermyn	Judie Ferree	Elected Delegate
St. James St George, Jermyn	Mary Metzger	Elected Delegate
St. James, Drifton	Ida Horne	Elected Delegate
St. James, Schuylkill Haven	Brittany Underkofler	Elected Delegate

St. John's, Hamlin	Paul Fels	Elected Delegate
St. John's, Hamlin	Karen Fels	Elected Delegate
St. John's, Palmerton	Paula Seiler	Elected Delegate
St. John's, Palmerton	Laurie Mankos	Elected Delegate
St. Luke's, Lebanon	Bryan Bowser	Elected Delegate
St. Luke's, Lebanon	John Feather	Elected Delegate
St. Luke's, Lebanon	Bud Katzmann	Elected Delegate
St. Luke's, Lebanon	Elaine Feather	Alternate
St. Luke's, Scranton	Rick Ammenhauser	Elected Delegate
St. Luke's, Scranton	Renee Ammenhauser	Elected Delegate
St. Luke's, Scranton	David Wegner	Alternate
St. Margaret's, Emmaus	Connie Allport	Elected Delegate
St. Margaret's, Emmaus	George Allport	Alternate
St. Mark's and St. John's, Jim Thorpe	Heather Cassidy	Elected Delegate
St. Mark's and St. John's, Jim Thorpe	Sue Urban	Elected Delegate
St. Mark's Moscow	Donna Reaser	Elected Delegate
St. Mark's, Moscow	Doris Decker	Elected Delegate
St. Mark's, New Milford	Joan Flint	Elected Delegate
St. Mark's, New Milford	Anne Davenport	Alternate
St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Mountain Top	Don Herres	Elected Delegate
St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Mountain Top	Rich Evans	Elected Delegate
St. Mary's, Reading	Shirley Lutz	Elected Delegate
St. Paul's, Montrose	Nancy Dooling	Elected Delegate
St. Paul's, Montrose	Paul "John" Finlon	Elected Delegate
St. Paul's, Troy	Rollin Baker	Elected Delegate
St. Paul's, Troy	Bill Ferry	Alternate
St. Peter's Tunkhannock	Dorothy Shaw	Alternate
St. Peter's, Tunkhannock	Ty Welles	Elected Delegate
St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral, Wilkes-Barre	Liz Lott	Alternate
St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral, Wilkes Barre	Tony Brooks	Elected Delegate
St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral, Wilkes Barre	Caron Nelson	Elected Delegate
St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral, Wilkes-Barre	Debra Kellerman	Elected Delegate
St. Stephen's, Whitehall	Steve DeVore	Elected Delegate
St. Stephen's, Whitehall	Libby DeVore	Elected Delegate
St. Thomas, Morgantown	Arlene Hathaway	Elected Delegate
Trinity, Athens	Marny Gerhart	Elected Delegate
Trinity, Bethlehem	Dr. Bonnie Lynch	Elected Delegate
Trinity, Bethlehem	Jenny Scott	Elected Delegate
Trinity, Bethlehem	Bruce Marold	Elected Delegate
Trinity, Carbondale	Bonnie Bay	Elected Delegate
Trinity, Carbondale	Elaine Malsch	Alternate
Trinity, Easton	Jan Charney	Elected Delegate
Trinity, Easton	Fred Crivellaro	Elected Delegate
Trinity, Easton	Roger Shields	Elected Delegate

Trinity, Easton	Br. John-Aelred	Elected Delegate
Trinity, Mt. Pocono	Barb Gessner	Elected Delegate
Trinity, Mt. Pocono	Bob Butiste	Elected Delegate
Trinity, Pottsville	Dr. Kurt Kovalovich	Elected Delegate
Trinity, Pottsville	Norm Kauffman	Elected Delegate
Trinity, West Pittston	Janine Ungvarsky	Elected Delegate
Trinity, West Pittston	Marti Shafer-Callahan	Elected Delegate

CONVENTION AGENDA

The Double Tree by Hilton - Reading

October 7-8, 2016

Friday, October 7th

- 8:00am Registration Opens
 - Breakfast Available
 - Opening Activity (Pilgrimage Committee) – Pokémon DioBeth Style
- 10:00 Business Session #1
 - Call to order
 - Morning Prayer
 - Welcome / Orientation to Rules of Order and Decorum
 - Quorum and Seat & Voice announced
 - Lay members of Diocesan Staff
 - Clergy LTO
 - Lay members of Diocesan Council
 - Lay members of Incorporated Trustees
 - Members of Commission and Committees presenting resolutions
 - Nomination and election of Secretary
 - Introductions and Remembrances
 - Appointment of Committees
 - Refer business to Committees
 - Report of Chair on Resolutions
 - Call for Resolutions from the floor
 - Bishop's address
 - Pilgrimage Session: Salt: Common Values of Connecting and Communicating
- 12:00 Noonday prayers / Lunch
- 1:00 Pilgrimage Session: Light: Common Value of Collaborating
- 2:30 Business Session #2
 - Presentation on Proposed Governance & Structure Changes
 - Committee of the Whole on Canons
 - Debate and Voting on Canonical Changes
 - Committee of the Whole on Constitution
 - Debate and Voting on Constitutional Changes
- 4:06 Recess
- 5:00 Gathering in Lobby for Procession to Christ Church
- 5:30 Holy Eucharist at Christ Church

UTO ingathering
ECW ingathering at time of offertory
7:30 Banquet (The Double Tree by Hilton - Reading)

Saturday, October 8th

7:45am Breakfast
8:30am Session III
 Call to Order
 Morning Prayer
8:38am Reminder of Rules of Order and Decorum
 Report of Nominating Committee
 Nominations for Committees
 Standing Committee
 Diocesan Council
 Commission on Ministry
 General Convention
 Call for nominations from floor
 Close nominations
 Move unchallenged elections
 First ballot (Additional Ballots as needed)
 Other Reports
 Reports Filed by Title (to be posted to Website)
 Commission on Ministry
 Diocesan Council
 Episcopal Church Women
 Examining Chaplains
 Standing Committee
 Treasurer: DIT, Financial status: Charlie Barebo
 New Hope: Charlie Barebo
 Report from Resolutions Committee
 C: Budget
 D: 2017 Salary Schedule
 E: Youth Council
 F: Widows Corp
 G: Pilgrimage
 Elections of Convention Officers for 2016-2017
 Nomination
 Treasurer
 Secretary
 Call for nomination from floor
 Close Nomination
 Elect by voice vote
 Resolutions of Courtesy
12:00 Noonday Prayers and/or adjournment
 Necrology

PROCEEDINGS of the 145th DIOCESAN CONVENTION

October 7th and 8th A.D. 2016

Christ Episcopal Church, Reading, Pennsylvania

Format of these minutes:

Business in order before the convention

Presentation, Explanation, Discussion; **Items before convention for action.**

Action taken by convention.

First Session, 10:00 am

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe, Bishop, called the meeting to order. Rev. Marion Meiss then Officiated for Morning Prayer.

The Rev. Canon John Francis then welcomed the Convention to the city of Reading.

Bishop Sean welcomed those attending and extended his appreciation for the willingness of the delegates to serve. Bishop Sean also explained that in addition to the business of the diocese, our major work would be to decide on the proposed changes to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Bethlehem.

The Rev. Canon Ann Kitch, on behalf of the Committee on Claims and Credentials certified that 52 of the clergy who qualify for seat, voice and vote at convention under Article V, section 2 of the Constitution are registered and thus there was a quorum present. Canon Kitch also certified that of the 58 parishes entitled to lay delegates under Article V, section 3 of the Constitution, 88 delegates representing 50 parishes were registered for convention and therefore there was a quorum present.

Canon Kitch then recommended, and made the motion on behalf of the Committee on Claims and Credentials, that seat and voice be granted to the following people:

Lay members of Diocesan Staff; Clergy Licensed to Officiate; Lay members of Diocesan Council; Lay members of the Incorporated Trustees; Lay members of the Standing Committee; Members of Committees and Commissions presenting resolutions.

Motion carried.

Bishop Sean opened the Nomination and election of a Secretary. The Rev. Douglas Moyer was nominated. There were no other Nominations from the floor and a voice vote was taken.

Motion carried.

Bishop Sean then introduced or announced:

Ordained and Received:

The Rev. Hazel Hunt, priest, September 24, 2016
The Rev. Rebecca Parsons-Canciellere, priest, September 24, 2016
The Rev. Susan Treanor, deacon and priest, September 24, 2016

New Clergy and Clergy in New Positions:

The Rev. Han van den Blink, St. Paul's Troy
The Rev. Don Schiabile, Rector, St. Anne's Trexlertown
The Rev. David Zwifka, Priest-in-Charge, St. Luke's, Lebanon

New Staff for the Diocesan Staff:

Paula Lapinski, Assistant for Administration

Clergy who have retired:

The Rev. Karl Kern
The Rev. Jane Arrington Bender
The Rev. Abraham Valiath

Clergy who have died:

The Rev. Everett Francis

Other Introductions:

Youth Delegates:

Vanessa Casterline
Joshua Heckman
Owen Pendergast

Appointment of Committees:

Bishop Sean announced the appointment of committees and referred all business to the appropriate committees.

The Committee on Resolutions reported the following resolutions were before the Convention for consideration:

Resolution C: Budget
Resolution D: 2017 Clergy Salary Schedule
Resolution E: Youth Council
Resolution F: Widows Corporation
Resolution G: Pilgrimage

No other resolutions were submitted.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons reported the following resolutions were before the convention:

- Resolution A: Amendments to the Canons of the Diocese
- Resolution B: Amendments to the Constitution of the Diocese

No other resolutions were submitted.

The Bishop's Address:

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe

Pilgrimage Session: Salt: Common Values of Connection and Communicating

The Very Rev. Tony Pompa and the Rev. Charles Cesaretti

Linda Rogers Officiated for Noonday Prayer.

Break for lunch

Pilgrimage Session: Light: Common Value of Collaborating

The Very Rev. Tony Pompa and the Rev. Charles Cesaretti

End of session

Second Session, 2:30 pm

The Committee on Constitution and Canons presented Resolution A—Amendments to the Canons of the Diocese – for consideration.

Bishop Sean suggested we consider this resolution as a Committee of the Whole for discussion. A motion we proceed as a Committee of the whole was moved and second.

Motion carried.

Bishop Sean then reviewed the 8-month process that lead to the final draft of the change of the Canons proposed in Resolution A. Bishop Sean also highlighted the most recent changes that were proposed by the Committee on Constitution and Canons. After discussion on the Canons as updated, a motion to dissolve as a Committee of the Whole moved and seconded.

Motion carried.

Resolution A was then considered Title by Title:

Title 1: No debate.

Title 2: After debate Title 2 went forward as proposed.

Title 3: No debate

Title 4: No debate.

Resolution A, as amended, was then called to question. Motion to approve was made and seconded.

Motion Carried.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons then presented Resolution B – Amendments to the Constitution of the Diocese – for consideration.

Bishop Sean reviewed the proposed changes to the Constitution of the Diocese. There was no debate over the changes. ***Changes approved.***

Holy Eucharist: Convention then recessed and moved to Christ Church, Reading for the Celebration of Holy Eucharist. The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe celebrated the Eucharist and preached.

Convention returned to the DoubleTree for **The Convention Banquet.**

End of Session 2

Session 3, Saturday, October 8 at 8:30 am

Bishop Sean called the meeting to order.

Rev. Rebecca Barnes the Officiated for Morning Prayer.

Bishop Sean then reviewed the nominations for election to offices, office by office, asking for additional nominations from the floor. No additional nominations were made and nominations were declared closed.

Bishop Sean also noted that since Diocesan Council and the Commission on Ministry had been reconstituted under the new canons, the election results would result in staggered terms. For example, for Diocesan Council, the two highest vote recipients will serve a 3 year term; the next two highest vote recipients would serve a 2 year term; and the two lowest vote recipients would serve a 1 year term.

Bishop Sean also noted that the election for General Convention Deputies would be by order and a delegate must receive the requisite votes in both the ordained and lay orders.

The final results of the balloting are at the end of this report.

Reports on the following were submitted by Title:

Commission on Ministry
Diocesan Council
Episcopal Church Women
Examining Chaplains
Standing Committee

Other Reports:

The Treasurer, Charlie Barebo reported on the financial status of the Diocese.

Resolutions Committee:

Motion made for editorial change for the Constitution: the word “deputy” be replaced with the word “delegate”. Motion was seconded. *Motion carried.*

Resolution C: Budget, moved by committee for consideration. *Motion carried.*

Resolution D: Clergy Salary, moved by committee for consideration. *Motion carried.*

Resolution E: Youth Council, moved by committee for consideration. *Motion carried.*

Resolution F: Widows Corporation, moved by committee for consideration. *Motion carried.*

Resolution G: Pilgrimage

A motion was made to change the last 10 words of paragraph to of the resolution to read:

“reverent devotion to God and loving support of one another.”

Motion to consider amendment seconded. *Motion carried.*

Amended Resolution G passed by unanimous acclaim.

Resolutions Committee Concluded.

Bishop Sean then announced the following appointments to the Commission on Ministry:

- The Rev. Canon Michael Piovane, retired
- The Rev. Fran Halavcek, Good Shepherd, Milford
- The Rev. Susan Treanor, Trinity, Mt. Pocono
- Virginia Falzone, Holy Cross, Wilkes-Barre
- Jay Freeman, Christ Church, Stroudsburg

Election of Officers:

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| The Rev. Charles Barebo | Treasurer |
| The Rev. Douglas Moyer | Secretary |

Elected by voice vote.

Resolutions of Courtesy:

Rev. John Wagner presented the resolutions of courtesy.

Consented to unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

On behalf of the Committee on Dispatch and Unfinished Business the Rev. Canon Anne Kitch reported there was no unfinished business.

Final Report of Elections:

Standing Committee:

- Rev. Douglas Moyer
- Lynn Graham

Commission on Ministry:

The Rev. Canon Laura Howell	3 year term
Nancy Rinehart	3 year term
The Rev. Jane Williams	2 year term
Peg Gerns	2 year term
The Rev. Brian Pavlac	1 year term
Robert Schreiber	1 year term

Diocesan Council:

The Rev. Lou Divis	3 year term
The Rev. Timothy Alleman	3 year term
Ron Honeywell	3 year term
Sandra Darde	3 year term
The Rev. David Robert Green	2 year term
The Rev. Van A. Bankston	2 year term
Will Hanson	2 year term
Jim Harding	2 year term
The Rev. John C. Wagner	1 year term
The Rev. Rodney Conn	1 year term
Rich Evans	1 year term
Judith Ferree	1 year term

Deputies to the 79th General Convention:

Clergy Deputies:

The Very Rev. Tony Pompa
The Rev. T. Scott Allen
The Rev. Canon Anne E. Kitch
The Rev. Megan Dembi

Lay Deputies:

Cathy Bailey
Mark Laubach
Linda Rogers
Sophie Kitch-Peck

Clergy Alternates:

The Rev. Canon Maria Tjeltveit
The Rev. Jane Bender
The Rev. John C. Wagner
The Rev. Canon Andrew Gerns

Lay Alternates:

Rebecca Beal
Peter Gonze

The Rev. Canon John Francis officiated at the commissioning and exchange of banners and Noontday Prayer with the Necrology.

Convention Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,
The Rev. J. Douglas Moyer
Secretary of the Diocese

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution A: Canonical Changes (see Journal Addendum)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Committee on Constitution and Canons shall have the authority to correct grammatical or spelling errors in these canons. Members of convention may forward proposed corrections to the Chancellor on or before November 8, 2016. (See Journal Addendum)

Resolution B: Constitutional Changes (see Journal Addendum)

BE IT RESOLVED, that, pursuant to Article XII of the Constitution of Diocese of Bethlehem, the following amendments to the Constitution of the Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem be approved for a first vote by the 145th Convention of the Diocese of Bethlehem. Be it further resolved that should these amendments be approved by a second vote at the 146th Convention of the Diocese, that no election for Standing Committee shall be held at that 146th Convention.

Resolution C: The Budget of the Diocese of Bethlehem

Be it Resolved, That the Assessment Rate applied to Line A, Normal Operating Income (NOI) of the 2015 Parochial Report shall be 12% in 2017; and be it further

Resolved, That the Proposed Mission and Ministry Budget of the Diocese as it is presented to the Convention be adopted.

Submitted by Diocesan Council

2017 Adopted Diocesan Budget

Operating Revenues	
Assessment Income	931,612
Acceptance Income	103,511
DIT Distributions	259,062
Other Income	<u>4,500</u>
Total Operating Revenues	<u><u>1,298,685</u></u>
Expenses	
Salaries & Benefits	660,720
Mission, Ministry & Parish Life	348,885
Administrative	137,640
Buildings & Grounds	33,000
Retiree's Benefits & Support	96,940
Convention & Meeting Expense	<u>21,500</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u><u>1,298,685</u></u>
Excess of Revenues over Expenses	0

Resolution D: Regarding the 2017 Salary Schedule

Be it resolved, that this convention recommends a 2% percent cost of living increase for clergy, with consideration for the addition of merit increases as performance and resources allow, and that the salary scale for Clergy for 2017 be as follows:

2% COLA increase Proposed 2017

Salary Range Parish Index Size of Parish

1-99 Small \$32,507 - \$39,049

100-249 Medium \$35,998 - \$53,231

250-399 Large \$43,081 - \$66,319

400 – above X-Large \$58,138 - \$94,136

Be it further resolved, that beginning in 2018, the CPI-U figure will be used to determine future cost of living adjustments to the salary schedule for the clergy in the diocese.

Respectfully Submitted by Diocesan Council

Resolution E: Youth Council

Be it Resolved: That the members of the Diocesan Youth Council be given seat and voice at this Convention and request the same for all subsequent Conventions of the Dioceses of Bethlehem, and that said members be deemed the official youth presence at Diocesan Convention, and that the membership of Youth Council may determine to include additional diocesan youth in this presence for any convention using selection means determined by the Diocesan Youth Council.

Submitted by: Diocesan Youth Council

Linda Abner, Holy Cross, Wilkes-Barre

The Rev. Tim Alleman, Holy Cross, Wilkes-Barre

The Rev. Canon Anne E. Kitch, Diocesan Staff

The Rev. Canon Ginny Rex Day, retired

The Rev. Don Schiabe, St. Anne's, Trexlertown

Jenny Scott, Trinity, Bethlehem

Current as of August 17, 2016

Resolution F: The Widows Corporation Anniversary

RESOLVED, that this 145th Convention of the Diocese of Bethlehem salute, commend, and rejoice in the extraordinary ministry of The Widows Corporations throughout the dioceses in New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania as they prepare to celebrate the 250th Anniversary of their founding in 1769; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Convention submit the following Resolution to the House of Deputies of the 79th General Convention of the Episcopal Church in 2018:

RESOLVED, the House of Bishops concurring, that this 79th General Convention extend its warmest congratulations to The Corporation for the Relief of the Widows and Children of Clergy in the Communion of the Church of England in America and its

successors, now commonly known as The Widows Corporations of New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania, upon the 250th Anniversary of its founding in 1769, as well as to those similar Corporations that were established subsequently; and be it further RESOLVED, that this Convention recognize the extraordinary ministry not only to the widows, but also to the families of clergy carried out by The Widows Corporations for these two and one-half centuries of service; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Convention declare the months from October 2018 through October 2019 as a period of special focus on the needs of families of clergy throughout The Episcopal Church; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Convention encourage every diocese of The Episcopal Church to seek to define the particular needs of the families of their clergy and to develop ways to address those needs, looking to the models developed by the various iterations of The Widows Corporation where they already exist for ideas and assistance in implementing such programs as may be helpful in addressing those needs.

EXPLANATION

The Widows Corporation was founded in 1769 to respond to the needs of widows and children of Anglican clergy who sometimes found themselves destitute in an age before the Church Pension Fund, Social Security, Medicare, and social service agencies. The agency took various forms in the colonies. In Pennsylvania an extensive life insurance program evolved, with wide participation now in all dioceses of the Commonwealth. A grant program for widows followed, and in recent years a Wellness program of grants to the dioceses to meet health-related needs. In New York and New Jersey the focus has been on annuities paid to all widows of enrolled clergy. Although the Church Pension Fund and social welfare agencies now provide the fundamental support, clergy families today do experience difficulties not addressed by such agencies. The several Widows Corporations now serve nearly 2,000 Episcopal clergy and their families and widows in the states of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. Similar organizations are found in a few other parts of the Church as well. This resolution seeks to recognize the good work that has been done so far, and, building on this base, to encourage a Church-wide effort to explore the particular needs of clergy families, and to respond with effective help in new ways. SUBMITTED BY: The Rev. James Rinehart, Diocesan Representative to the Widow's Corp. The Ven. Richard I. Cluett, Archdeacon

Resolution G: Pilgrimage Resolution

Be it resolved, that this 145th Convention of the Diocese of Bethlehem give thanks for the opportunity to be on pilgrimage to grow closer to God, grow closer to one another, and be open to God's stirrings for our mission and ministry.

Be it further resolved, that the convention affirm the Diocese of Bethlehem's commitment to be "salt and light," as Jesus commanded us in Matthew 5: 13-16 and to lift up and celebrate our desire to demonstrate resilience, concern for others, openness and acceptance, compassion, servanthood, authenticity, and respect for God and one another.

Be it further resolved, that this convention support, challenge, and guide our diocese to integrate into our decision making, mission strategy, and leadership discernment best practices that reflect our core values of connecting, communicating, and collaborating as we seek to shine Christ's light in the communities and regions we serve.

Resolutions of Courtesy

RESOLVED that this 145th Convention of the Diocese of Bethlehem, properly convened in the City of Reading, County of Berks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania extends its gratitude to and prayers of thanksgiving for:

THE ROWE FAMILY – Bp. Sean, Carly, Lauren, we will never fully know the travail and added burdens each of you carries as your family ministers in two of the most geographically separated Dioceses in the Commonwealth. We extend our gratitude to each of you for your warm, gentle, and loving ministries to and among us. This heretofore unknown “yoking” of Dioceses has proven to be not only a workable, but truly exemplary, model of co-operation. Even the most sincere thanks we can offer seem insufficient when the full cost of this arrangement to your family is considered. Nonetheless, we are thankful to you for allowing the light of Christ to shine forth so brightly from each of you. We simply then, say “Thank You” to each of you!

THE DIOCESE OF NORTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA – To our sisters and brothers of both orders in the Diocese of Northwestern Pennsylvania, we offer prayers of thanksgiving for allowing the Rowe family to share their innumerable talents and ministries with us as we sojourn jointly and continue our work of knowing Christ and working for the spread of His kingdom not only within this Commonwealth, but throughout the entirety of His creation.

THE VERY REVEREND TONY POMPA AND THE REVEREND CANON CHARLES CESARETTI – For the two of you, 2016 will long be remembered as a time of arduous work as you outlined and then brought to life our Diocesan Pilgrimage. The fruits of your work are easily discernable in the renewed spirit of co-operation and shared ministry found throughout this Diocese. This portion of our pilgrimage is coming to an end today, but the effects of your ministries will be known throughout the Diocese of Bethlehem for decades to come as we continue our walk together in love and fellowship. Our most sincere thanks for your ministries among us!

BISHOP ANTHONY AND THE PEOPLE OF KAJO-KEJI – 2016 has been a year of continued hardship within your Diocese. Even as none of us walks any of the paths laid out before us alone, know that not only He, but We, shall continue our joint sojourns with you until, at the second coming, His Kingdom breaks forth in all of its glory and throughout all of His creation.

VANESSA AND TIM BUTLER – Ministries come in many and various forms. As the Apostle Paul noted in his letter to the Church at Ephesus, *and He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ (NKJV)*. The two of you have fulfilled roles not foreseen in the time of Paul in your ministry of bits and bytes, USB 2's and USB 3's, LCD's and LED's. We may never fully understand how you do what you do, but we know well the fruits of your labors in allowing this Convention to proceed in a smooth and orderly fashion, as information is displayed for each Delegate to consider and, ultimately, to vote upon. We

extend our gratitude to you for your many and varied labors.

OUR DIOCESAN YOUTH – As Paul notes in his 1st Letter to Timothy, *Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity. (NKJV)* We offer our praises to God and our thanks to you for your life, love, and ministry to and among us. You stand as shining examples to each of us of the love of Christ. Thanks be to God for being just exactly who He has made you to be as you join us in the many and varied pathways He has set before us. May each of us do whatever He would have us do, in peace, love and humility.

OUR CONVENTION VOLUNTEERS – No ministry is to be valued above another, and that includes the myriad tasks performed out of the limelight to ensure that schedules are met, Delegates are registered, and all goes smoothly during our sessions. We extend our thanks to each of you for your tireless efforts, performed with joy, to enable the work of this Convention to proceed smoothly.

THE MANAGEMENT AND STAFF OF THE DOUBLETREE BY HILTON, READING – To you, we offer our thanks for a job well done. A ministry of hospitality can be among the most difficult of all, and you have accomplished your tasks with grace and aplomb. While you received remuneration for your services, that in no way decreases our thankfulness for all that you have done.

THE CLERGY, STAFF AND PEOPLE OF THE SOUTHERN REGION OF THE DIOCESE OF BETHLEHEM AND, ESPECIALLY, CHRIST CHURCH, READING – To you, we extend our thanks for a job well-done in hosting this 145th Convention of the Diocese of Bethlehem including our Convention Eucharist. You have been most gracious and attentive to each detail and need. Thank you again!

NOW THEREFORE BE IT, AND IT IS HEREBY, RESOLVED by this 145th Convention of the Diocese of Bethlehem that our several expressions of greetings, joy, gratitude, and prayer be offered to each of those aforementioned by the Secretary of this Diocese. To Him be the glory!

REPORTS OF ELECTED COMMITTEES

Board of Discipline

The Board of Discipline had no actions in 2016 and did not meet.

Episcopal Church Women (ECW)

The annual meeting and luncheon anon was held on May 11, 2016 at Kirby House.

The Rev. Canon Charles A. Cesaretti presented the program "I Am A Pilgrim". Father Cesaretti led us through the pilgrimage with scripture reflection, group discussion and with worship, we became pilgrims.

During the celebration of Holy Eucharist, The Rev. Canon Anne Kitch offered the homily and was the celebrant. The Rev. Edward Erb provided the musical setting throughout the day.

Again this year the ECW fund raising project for parishes to participate in prior to convention, is to raise money for scholarships for girls and young women in our partner Diocese of Kajo Keji. Thanks to all of you for your support for this project and your support for of the United Thank Offering, Church Periodical Club and Book of Remembrance.

The mission of the ECW is to assist the women of the Diocese to carry out the work of reconciliation, mission, and ministry in their parish, community, nation and the world and to take their place in life, governance and worship of the church.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dorothy Shaw
President

Standing Committee

The Standing Committee is established by National Canons for every diocese of the Episcopal Church and is comprised of clergy and laity elected by the Diocesan Convention.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Bethlehem serves as a council of advice for the Bishop; renders judgment on proposals by parishes which encumber or alienate their property; certifies that all records and requirements for ordination have been met and recommends Candidacy of Postulants to the Bishop; consents or refuses to consent to all elections of Bishops Diocesan, Bishops Coadjutor, or Bishops Suffragan in the Dioceses of The Episcopal Church; provides pastoral oversight of parishes "at risk" or "under review;" and, as mandated by the Diocesan Canons, provides an annual State of the Church report to the Diocesan Convention.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Bethlehem consists of five clergy and five laity who serve staggered five-year terms. Officers may be from either order (clergy/laity). Committee Members are: President, The Rev. Canon Andrew Gerns; Vice President, The Rev. Scott Allen; Secretary, Ms. Elizabeth House; Mr. Raymond Arcario, The Rev. Jane Bender, Ms. Liza

Holzinger, Ms. Kate Fanning, Ms. Carol McMullen, The Rev. James Rinehart, The Rev. Earl Trygar.

Meetings: The Standing Committee met on the following dates - October 3, 2015; October 19, 2015; November 23, 2015; February 1, 2016; February 29, 2016; April 25, 2016; June 6, 2016; and July 25, 2016.

Consents:

- Consented to the election of the Rev. Moises Quezada Mota as Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of the Dominican Republic
- Consented to the election of the Rev. Patrick W. Bell as Bishop of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon
- Consented to the election of the Rev. Dr. Douglas E. Sparks as Bishop of the Diocese of Northern Indiana
- Consented to the election of the Rev. Daniel Gutierrez as Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania

Ordination Process:

- Recommended to the Bishop that he grant candidacy to Ms. Susan Treanor
- Recommended Ms. Susan Treanor to the Bishop for ordination to the transitional diaconate.
- Recommended Mr. Dale Grandfield to the Bishop for ordination to the transitional diaconate
- Recommended The Rev. Susan Treanor to the Bishop for ordination to the priesthood
- Recommended The Rev. Helen Hunt to the Bishop for ordination to the priesthood
- Recommended The Rev. Rebecca Cancelliere to the Bishop for ordination to the priesthood
- Recommended The Rev. Dale Grandfield to the Bishop for ordination to the priesthood

Property:

- With the Bishop, approved the sale of Christ Church, Frackville

Pastoral Concerns:

- St. Stephen's Church Whitehall, which had been designated a parish at-risk, embarked upon a first step towards restoration of its full autonomy

Transition:

- A new firm was hired to manage investments of trusts and diocesan and parish funds in the DIT.
- A year-long Diocesan Pilgrimage was undertaken.
- Work taken on by the Bishop, Chancellors, and members of a task force formed to review the Canons and Constitution of our Diocese culminated in proposed amendments

to the Diocesan Canons and, in one instance, Constitution, to be presented and voted upon at the 2016 Diocesan Convention.

- The ad hoc Audit Committee continued its oversight of delinquent audits and submitted to the Diocese completed audit reports for the years 2012 and 2013, thus completing all the audits for which the committee had responsibility. The committee was disbanded.
- Bishop Sean responded to actions of the Sudanese House of Bishops and their impact on our relationship with the Diocese of Kajo Keji.
- The Standing Committee and the Bishop agreed to the continuation of the Provisional Bishop Agreement that went into effect in 2014.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elizabeth House, Secretary

Stewardship Commission

Stewardship is our grateful, generous response to all the blessings God has bestowed upon us, especially the gift of God's Son, Jesus Christ. The Diocesan Stewardship Team ministry is focused on assisting parishes in helping their people become grateful, generous givers by realizing that Stewardship is part of our spiritual development. Giving is a spiritual response to God's gift of

salvation. Christian Stewardship is basic to all that we do for our Lord. It generates the resources of time, skills and money that are needed for all ministries. Through the above, we help to create communities of faith where all God's people can deepen their relationship with Jesus, and draw others to Christ.

Our long-range vision is to assist parishes to develop strong year-round programs and effective annual campaigns. All our activities are filtered through the Diocesan mandate to seek parish growth. Working directly with parishes as consultants and resource people, we make direct contact with a significant number of the parishes each year.

We continue to encourage use of the *Stewardship Lifters* Workshop. Parishes find varieties of the Consecration Sunday model to be effective in educating and encouraging parish members' giving and stewardship. In addition, we urge parishes to supplement their annual commitment campaigns with the lectionary-based TENS narrative series. We have developed a list of available guest leaders, and we continue to look at ways to make the program more user-friendly for all parishes.

May 2015, **Stewardship/Evangelism** workshop. The Rev. Dr. C.K. "Chuck" Robertson, was our keynoter. He shared with us tools that could be used to make our parishes "a parish for the community" – outside the walls of the church. 45 participants from 16 Churches took part in this workshop.

March and April 2016, at the Regional Leadership Training Days, the Stewardship Commission presented major parts of Robertson's thesis of what it takes to make your church, a church for the community, focusing on what was done in the past, and what service(s) you might provide for your community now. The April event involved 16 participants from 7 parishes.

Lectionary-based *Stewardship Reflections* continue to be available and used by parishes and individuals. They are useful in worship bulletins, newsletters, e-mail communications, etc. They can be accessed on the DioBeth website under “Stewardship”.

As a Diocese we are a sponsoring member of TENS (The Episcopal Network for Stewardship), and we encourage stewardship teams to use the resources, most of which are free. The narrative series for this year’s annual financial commitment is now posted on the TENS.org website.

We will not have a Diocesan Stewardship workshop in 2017, but will instead concentrate our effort in regional meetings with parishes on various topics associated with year-round stewardship. This year we will offer the following workshops: (1) How to develop a narrative budget, (2) Application of the Barnabas Principle to build your church’s future, and (3) Discovering the value of year-round stewardship.

Also always available to parishes: Formation of Parish Stewardship Team, Development of Parish Mission Statement and Vestry Stewardship Statement, Spiritual Gifts Discovery, Share Save Spend program for kids and adults, Adult forums on Stewardship.

List of Leadership for this Ministry

The Rev. Jim Rinehart, Commission Chair; Dan Charney, Diocesan Stewardship Missioner
Connie Archer, St. Anne’s, Trexlertown
Sue Boskett, St. Andrew’s, Allentown
Jan Charney, Trinity, Easton – Secretary
Helen Forshaw, Trinity, Easton
George Maniatty, St. Anne’s, Trexlertown
Nancy Rinehart, Meyerstown
Betsi Strasser, Cathedral Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem

The Incorporated Trustees

The Incorporated Trustees are responsible to buy, sell, hold and properly dispose of all real estate, securities and other investments owned or controlled by the Diocese of Bethlehem. In addition to approving and monitoring the loan programs of the Diocese, the Trustees provide general oversight of the Diocesan Investment Trust (DIT). In addition, Trustees have fiduciary responsibility for oversight of the Board of the Episcopal Ministries of the Diocese (New Bethany Ministries).

At the February meeting of the Trustees, convening as the Board of The Episcopal Ministries of the Diocese of Bethlehem, the annual report of the NBM was received and their election of board members was ratified. In attendance were NBM President Roland Kushner and Executive Director Diane Elliott. On November 24, 2015, our first regular meeting following Diocesan Convention, we welcomed newly elected trustee members, Dawn Beebe, William Hanson and James Harding. James was elected Vice President, Joan Duckloe, Secretary and David Feick, President. In addition to regular, ongoing committee work of Finance (F. Laird Evans), Loan (The Rev. Doug Moyer), Property (The Rev. Jim Rinehart), the full board of Incorporated Trustees meet at least four times each year.

The DIT contains roughly \$26,000,000 in trust; \$15,000,000 in trust for the parishes and \$11,000,000 for the benefit of the diocese. Late in 2014, the trustees, concerned that the fund manager was underperforming the market and charging higher fees than justified, embarked on a thorough process of benchmarking and vetting eight alternative firms. After a six month process, managed by the Finance Committee, the Trustees selected the Institutional Investment Advisors of BB&T. IIA had an average market performance over 2% per year higher than Cornerstone (our previous manager) over the last five years. This equates to a difference of \$3,000,000. IIA costs were roughly half a percentage point lower which equates to a savings of almost \$600,000 over a five-year period. Funds have been successfully transferred to the new manager. IIA recommended that due to higher average returns the trustees could raise the guaranteed payout from 4 to 4.5%.

The Property Committee has been attending to the disposition of St. George's Church in Nanticoke, which was vacated by the Episcopal Relief NEPA at the end of 2014. A jointly held landlocked Texas property bequeathed to the trustees with all good intentions has proven to be a tax burden and, after some legal difficulties, is being sold. The Susquehanna Great Bend Property is being donated to the nearby fire company.

For the year 2016 the Loan Committee recommended, and the Trustees approved two loans from the Colt-Sterrett Fund. The committee recommended a loan to the Church of the Good Shepherd & St. John the Evangelist, Milford for the replacement of the Parish Hall roof at an estimated cost of: \$134,000. Funds raised by the parish totaled \$94,000 and a loan of \$40,000 for a term of 5 years was approved by the trustees. The trustees also approved a loan to Christ Episcopal Church, Stroudsburg for the purchase of Building and parking lot across the street from the church. The estimated cost is \$400,000 of which \$360,000 was raised by the parish. The loan amount therefore was \$40,000 over a 5-year term.

The Diocese began 2016 with three properties deemed surplus and it was the intent of the Trustees to sell or otherwise dispose of these properties. A building lot in Texas with which the diocese was the co-owner with two other entities for a number of years was placed on the market and sold. The St. George's Church property in Nanticoke which had been vacant since the end of 2014 and had sustained significant water damage due to broken water pipes had the basic water restored and was sold in the spring of this year. The Diocese remains in negotiations to donate a small lot in Great Bend, Susquehanna County to a local fire company that is adjacent to the property.

Our meetings have been faithfully chaired by Bishop Sean. The Trustees appreciate the participation and guidance provided throughout the year by Deacon Charlie Barebo, Treasurer, and Linda Henry, Chancellor of the Diocese. Sincere gratitude is also extended to Archdeacon Rick Cluett.

Respectfully submitted,
David H. Feick, President
Diocese of Bethlehem Incorporated Trustees

PARISHES OF THE DIOCESE OF BETHLEHEM

October 2016

**With the year of Admission into union with
the Convention and clergy**

<u>Name</u>		<u>Year Established</u>
All Saints Episcopal Church Coal Street at Second, Lehighton, PA 18235 Interim Priest Senior Warden	610-377-2675 The Rev. Michael Piovane Cheryl Ann Ault	1907
Calvary Episcopal Church 300 W Board St, Tamaqua, PA 18252 Supply Clergy Senior Warden	610-377-0845 The Rev. Robert Gildersleeve Suzanne Shapcott	1849
Cathedral Church of the Nativity 321 Wyandotte St, Bethlehem, PA 18015 Dean Assisting Priest Deacons Senior Warden	610-865-0727 The Very Rev. Anthony Pompa The Rev. Canon Michelle Moyer The Rev. Rodney Conn The Rev. Charlie Barebo Richard Guyer	1863
Christ Church - Indian Orchard 1005 Texas/Palmyra Highway Honesdale, PA 18431 Senior Warden	570-253-3144 Amy Dunn	1917
Christ Episcopal Church 1107 W Main St, Susquehanna, PA 18847 Senior Warden	570-853-9003 Todd Moffett, Esq	1898
Christ Episcopal Church 1 Main St, Towanda, PA 18848 Rector Deacon Senior Warden	570-265-5035 The Rev. Canon Maureen Hipple The Rev. J Lawrence Holman Marshall Dawsey	1844
Christ Episcopal Church Delaware & Dundaff St, Forest City, PA 18421 Senior Warden	570-282-3620 Jack Demark	1912
Christ Episcopal Church 435 Court St, Reading, PA 19603 Rector Senior Warden	610-374-8269 The Rev. Canon John Francis Wayne Fanning	1824

Christ Episcopal Church 205 N 7th St, Stroudsburg, PA 18360 Rector Senior Warden	570-421-7481 The Rev. J. Douglas Moyer Michele Causton	1887
Church of the Epiphany 1003 Church Hill Rd, Dalton, PA 18411 Interim Priest Senior Warden	570-563-1564 The Rev. F. Graham Cliff Linda Rogers	1913
Church of the Good Shepherd & St John 110 W Catharine St, Milford, PA 18337 Rector Deacon Senior Warden	570-296-8123 The Rev. Van Bankston The Rev. Frances Hlavacek Molly Flewharty	1860
Church of the Good Shepherd 1780 N Washington Ave, Scranton, PA 18509 Priest-in-Charge Deacon Senior Warden	570-347-1760 The Venerable Howard Stringfellow The Rev. John Davis Warren Shotto	1871
Church of the Mediator 1620 W Turner, Allentown, PA 18102 Rector Missioner Senior Warden	610-434-0155 The Rev. Canon Maria Tjeltveit The Rev. Twila Smith Roger Butler	1866
Church of the Redeemer 201 S Wilbur Ave, Sayre, PA 18840 Supply Priest Associate Priest Senior Warden	570-888-2270 The Rev. Trula Hollywood The Rev. Hazel Hunt Gretchen Rentschler	1877
Grace Episcopal Church 827 Church St, Honesdale, PA 18431 Rector Senior Warden	570-253-2760 The Rev. Edward Erb John Sullivan	1833
Grace Episcopal Church 30 Butler St, Kingston, PA 18704 Rector Senior Warden	570-287-8440 The Rev. John Hartman Susan Youells	1913
Grace Episcopal Church 108 N 5th St, Allentown, PA 18102 Priest-in-Charge Senior Warden	610-435-0782 The Rev. Twila Smith Dave Moyer	1859

Holy Cross Episcopal Church 373 N Main St, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702	570-823-4436	1916
Rector	The Rev. Timothy Alleman	
Senior Warden	William Falzone	
North Parish Holy Apostles Church 307 E Hancock St, St. Clair, PA 17970	570-429-7107	1848
North Parish Memorial Church of St John Market Street at 13th, Ashland, PA 17921		1857
Senior Warden	Bonnie Baker	
Prince of Peace 420 Main St, Dallas, PA 18612	570-675-1723	1930
Priest-In-Charge	The Rev. Joseph Rafferty	
Deacon	The Rev. Christine Sutton	
Senior Warden	Jean Carson	
St. Alban's Episcopal Church 2848 St Albans Drive, Sinking Spring, PA 19608	610-678-7001	1963
Assisting Priest	The Rev. Charles Beem The Rev. Jeffrey Funk	
Senior Warden	William Reid	
St. Andrew's Church - Alden Station 12 E Kirmar Ave, Nanticoke, PA 18634	570-735-3295	1900
Senior Warden	Susan Maza	
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church 1900 E Pennsylvania Ave, Allentown, PA 18109	610-865-3603	1955
Rector	The Rev. T. Scott Allen	
Assisting Priest	The Rev. Dr. R Jane Williams The Rev. John Marcantonio	
Senior Warden	Donna Barnum	
St. Anne's Episcopal Church Lower Macungie Rd at Church Lane, Trexlertown, PA 18087	610-398-3321	1967
Rector	The Rev. Donald Schaible	
Assisting Priest	The Rev. Judith Snyder	
Deacon	The Rev. Bernice Reichard	
Senior Warden	Mr. John Sibre	
St. Barnabas Episcopal Church 234 W Main St, Kutztown, PA 19530	610-683-7787	1958
Senior Warden	Charles Brown	
St. Brigid's Episcopal Church 310 Madison Ave, Nazareth, PA 18064	610-746-3910	1996
Rector	The Rev. William Martin	
Senior Warden	Tony Bernardo	

St. Clement & St. Peter's Church 165 Hanover St, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702 Senior Warden	570-822-8043 Thomas Jamieson	1870
St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church 1188 Ben Franklin Hwy E, Douglassville, PA 19518 Rector Deacon Senior Warden	610-385-3144 The Rev. David Green The Rev. Sally Bosler Stephen Fairbrother	1785
St. George's Episcopal Church 735 Delaware Ave, Hellertown, PA 18055 Rector Senior Warden	610-838-9355 The Rev. Jonathan Mayo Cheryl Glasker	1909
St. James and St. George 398 Washington Ave, Jermyn, PA 18433 Senior Warden	570-876-4896 Ron Fowler	1918
St. James' Church (Summer Chapel) 2050 SR 247 Clifford Twp, Dundaff, PA 18407	570-222-2724	1860
St. James' Episcopal Church 100 Dock Street, Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972 Supply Priest Senior Warden	570-385-0737 The Rev. Jeffrey Funk John Granito William Hanson	1839
St. James' Episcopal Church 2161 Main St, Drifton, PA 18221 Priest-in-Charge Deacon Senior Warden	570-636-3967 The Rev. Elizabeth Haynes The Rev. Beverly Meneeley Ida Horne	1885
St. John's Episcopal Church 365 Lafayette Ave, Palmerton, PA 18071 Supply Priest Senior Warden	610-826-2611 The Rev. Canon Lexa Shallcross Joan Nothstein	1915
St. John's Episcopal Church 564 Easton Turnpike, Hamlin, PA 18427 Priest-in-Charge Senior Warden	570-689-9260 The Rev. Dr. Ronald Miller Marianne Berryman	1845
St. Joseph's Episcopal Church 1440 Verona St, Pen Argyl, PA 18072 Supply Clergy	610-863-6208 The Rev. Canon Joel Atkinson	1920

St. Luke's Episcopal Church 232 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, PA 18503 Priest-in-Charge Senior Warden	570-342-7654 The Rev. Rebecca Barnes David Wegner	1853
St. Luke's Episcopal Church 22 S 6th St, Lebanon, PA 17042 Priest-in-Charge Senior Warden	717-272-8251 The Rev. David Zwifka Elizabeth Yocum	1859
St. Margaret's Episcopal Church 150 Elm St., Emmaus, PA 18049 Interim Vicar Senior Warden	610-967-1450 The Rev. Dr. Richard Ditterline Carla Holdridge	1908
St. Mark's and St. John's 21 Race St, Jim Thorpe, PA 18229 Rector Associate Priest Senior Warden	570-325-2241 The Rev. John Wagner The Rev. Rebecca Parsons-Cancelliere William Diehm	1836
St. Mark's Episcopal Church 1109 Church St, Moscow, PA 18444 Rector	570-842-7231 The Rev. Earl Trygar, Sr	1923
St. Mark's Episcopal Church 1148 Main St, New Milford, PA 18834 Senior Warden	570-465-3896 Joan Flint	1817
St. Martin-In-The-Fields 3085 Church Rd, Mountain Top, PA 18707 Rector Senior Warden	570-868-5358 The Rev. Daniel Fitzsimmons Don Herres	1957
St. Mary's Episcopal Church 100 West Windsor St, Reading, PA 19612 Priest-in-Charge Senior Warden	610-374-7914 The Rev. Bruce Baker Chris Rickert	1912
St. Mary's Episcopal Church Lehigh Ave at Alpha Rd, Wind Gap, PA 18091 Supply Clergy Senior Warden	610-863-8007 The Rev. Canon Joel Atkinson Charles Henry	1915
St. Paul's Episcopal Church 130 Elmira St, Troy, PA 16947 Priest-in-Charge Senior Warden	570-297-4864 The Rev. Han van den Blink Lyn Ryan	1845

St. Paul's Episcopal Church 276 Church St, Montrose, PA 18801 Senior Warden	570-278-2954 Lynne Graham	1832
St. Peter's Episcopal Church Route 6, Tunkhannock, PA 18657 Rector Senior Warden	570-836-2233 The Rev. M Lou Divis David Martin	
St. Peter's Episcopal Church 46 S Laurel St, Hazleton, PA 18222 Deacon Senior Warden	570-453-6543 The Rev. Marion Meiss George Roskos	1866
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church 3900 Mechanicsville Rd, Whitehall, PA 18052 Vicar Senior Warden	610-435-3901 The Rev. Jonathan Mayo Matthew Vanlieu	1904
St. Stephen's Pro Cathedral 35 S Franklin St, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701 Priest-in-Charge Assisting Priest Senior Warden	570-825-6653 The Rev. Brian Pavlac The Rev. William Marshall, Jr The Rev. Charles Warwick Wayne Harley	1821
St. Thomas Episcopal Church 6251 Morgantown Rd, Morgantown, PA 19543 Priest-in-Charge Senior Warden	610-286-9547 The Rev. Megan Dembi Sally Stalnaker	1740
Trinity Episcopal Church 701 South Main St, Athens, PA 18810 Supply Clergy Senior Warden	570-888-5715 The Rev. Benjamin Lentz Daniel Gerhart	1864
Trinity Episcopal Church 44 E Market St, Bethlehem, PA 18018 Rector Assisting Priest Deacon Senior Warden	610-867-4741 The Rev. Canon Laura Howell The Rev. Canon Clifford Carr, Jr The Rev. Dr. Gerard Gaeta The Rev. Dr. Jane Gaeta The Rev. Canon Gwendolyn-Jane Romeril The Rev. Elizabeth Miller Christine Martocchio	1863
Trinity Episcopal Church 58 River Street, Carbondale, PA 18407 Senior Warden	570-282-3620 Bonnie Bay	1845

Trinity Episcopal Church 200 S 2nd St, Pottsville, PA 17901 Senior Warden	570-622-8720 Norman Kauffman	1836
Trinity Episcopal Church 220 Montgomery Ave, West Pittston, PA 18643 Rector Senior Warden	570-654-3261 The Rev. John Major Rick Logan	1885
Trinity Episcopal Church 137 Trinity Hill Rd, Mt. Pocono, PA 18344 Priest-in-Charge Senior Warden	570-839-9376 The Rev. Susan M. Treanor Peter Gonze	1961
Trinity Episcopal Church 234 Spring Garden St, Easton, PA 18042 Rector Assisting Priest Senior Warden	610-253-0792 The Rev. Canon Andrew Gerns The Rev. Raymond Harbort Gretchen Reed	1819

CHAPELS IN INSTITUTIONS

ALLENTOWN, Episcopal House

BETHLEHEM, Diocesan House

GLEN SUMMIT, The Fred M. & Jessie A. Kirby Episcopal House

SLATE BELT, Episcopal Apartments

2016 STATEMENT OF OPERATING REVENUES & EXPENSES
(Unaudited)

December 31, 2016

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Operating Revenues		
Assessment Income	985,959	927,862
Acceptance Income	108,571	106,910
DIT Distributions	227,960	273,061
Other Income	5,117	3,000
Total Operating Revenues	<u>1,327,607</u>	<u>1,310,833</u>
Expenses		
Salaries & Benefits	661,798	656,118
Ministry, Mission & Parish Life	293,778	337,135
Administrative	118,905	136,140
Buildings & Grounds	22,296	33,000
Retiree's Benefits & Support	125,189	129,940
Convention & Meeting Expenses	26,834	18,500
Total Operating Expenses	<u>1,248,800</u>	<u>1,310,833</u>
Excess of Revenues over Expenses	78,807	0

2016 ASSESSMENT RECEIPTS (Unaudited)

Church	YTD Receipts	Assessment
Alden - St. Andrew	2,868	2,868
Allentown - Grace	12,632	12,632
Allentown - Mediator	44,157	44,157
Ashland - North Parish	9,277	9,277
Athens - Trinity	7,928	7,928
Bethlehem - Nativity	88,048	88,049
Bethlehem - St. Andrew	20,720	20,720
Bethlehem - Trinity	47,561	47,561
Carbondale - Trinity	8,414	8,414
Dallas - Prince of Peace	10,366	10,366
Douglasville - St. Gabriel	37,083	37,083
Drifton - St. James	5,407	5,407
Dundaff - St. James	814	814
Easton - Trinity	41,148	41,148
Emmaus - St. Margaret	8,146	8,146
Forest City - Christ	6,556	6,556
Glenburn - Epiphany	25,265	25,265
Hamlin - St. John	11,284	11,284
Hazelton - St. Peter	11,833	11,833
Hellertown - St. George	12,747	12,747
Honesdale - Grace	9,067	16,133
Indian Orchard - Christ	2,459	2,459
Jermyn - St. James	3,585	3,584
Jim Thorpe - Sts. Mark & John	29,887	29,887
Kingston - Grace	21,763	21,763
Kutztown - St. Barnabas	2,421	2,421
Lebanon - St. Luke	38,605	38,605
Lehighton - All Saints	14,332	14,330
Milford - Good Shepherd	16,128	16,128
Montrose - St. Paul	20,090	20,090
Morgantown - St. Thomas	7,851	7,851
Moscow - St. Mark	6,685	6,685
Mountain Top - St. Martin	5,053	5,053
Mount Pocono - Trinity	9,521	9,521
Nazareth - St. Brigid	11,791	11,791
New Milford - St. Mark	4,166	4,166
Palmerton - St. John	10,831	10,831
Pen Argyl - St. Joseph	0	0
Pottsville - Trinity	33,917	33,917

Reading - Christ	54,589	54,540
Reading - St. Mary	6,868	6,868
Sayre - Redeemer	16,688	27,750
Schuylkill Haven - St. James	3,112	3,112
Scranton - Good Shepherd	8,380	8,380
Scranton - St. Luke	24,969	27,239
Sinking Spring - St. Alban	33,070	33,070
Stroudsburg - Christ	24,086	24,086
Susquehanna - Christ	3,432	3,432
Tamaqua - Calvary	1,732	1,732
Towanda - Christ	14,907	14,907
Trexlerstown - St. Anne	43,340	43,340
Troy - St. Paul	3,499	3,499
Tunkhannock - St. Peter	9,426	9,435
West Pittston - Trinity	4,744	7,122
Whitehall - St. Stephen	10,533	15,799
Wilkes-Barre - Holy Cross	7,647	7,621
Wilkes-Barre - St. Clement	8,540	8,540
Wilkes-Barre - St. Stephen	43,154	43,154
Wind Gap - St. Mary	2,837	2,837
	<u><u>985,959</u></u>	<u><u>1,013,933</u></u>

2016 ACCEPTANCE RECEIPTS (Unaudited)

Church	YTD Receipts	Acceptance
Allentown - Grace	216	3,158
Allentown - Mediator	5,519	5,519
Ashland - North Parish	1,200	1,200
Athens - Trinity	1,982	1,982
Bethlehem - Nativity	14,675	14,675
Bethlehem - St. Andrew	1,700	1,567
Bethlehem - Trinity	11,890	11,890
Carbondale - Trinity	2,103	2,103
Drifton - St. James	1,239	1,352

Dundaff - St. James	203	203
Emmaus - St. Margaret	1,018	1,018
Forest City - Christ	1,639	1,639
Glenburn - Epiphany	3,789	3,789
Hazelton - St. Peter	1,200	1,200
Hellertown - St. George	200	200
Indian Orchard - Christ	615	615
Jermyn - St. James	896	896
Jim Thorpe - Sts. Mark & John	2,400	2,400
Kingston - Grace	1,200	1,200
Kutztown - St. Barnabas	603	0
Lebanon - St. Luke	2,000	2,000
Lehighton - All Saints	1,199	0
Montrose - St. Paul	5,023	5,023
Morgantown - St. Thomas	500	500
Moscow - St. Mark	1,671	0
Mountain Top - St. Martin	1,263	1,263
Nazareth - St. Brigid	2,000	2,000
New Milford - St. Mark	869	1,041
Palmerton - St. John	2,708	2,708
Pottsville - Trinity	2,808	2,800
Reading - Christ	13,635	13,635
Schuylkill Haven - St. James	778	778
Scranton - St. Luke	2,200	2,400
Sinking Spring - St. Alban	250	250
Stroudsburg - Christ	2,007	2,007
Susquehanna - Christ	858	858
Tamaqua - Calvary	433	433
Towanda - Christ	445	480
Trexlerstown - St. Anne	10,835	10,835
Troy - St. Paul	875	875
West Pittston - Trinity	78	78
Whitehall - ST. Stephen	0	240
Wilkes-Barre - Holy Cross	1,749	0
Wind Gap - St. Mary	100	100
	<hr/> <hr/> 108,571	<hr/> <hr/> 106,910

2015 VITAL STATISTICS OF CONGREGATIONS

Vital Statistics of Congregations 2015 *Diocese of Bethlehem*

Name	City	Active Members	Sunday Attendance		Eucharists	Marriages	Burials	Baptisms		Confirmations	
			89	103				16 & Up	Under 16	16 & Up	Under 16
Mediator	Allentown	220	89	103	1	8	0	1	6	0	0
Grace	Allentown	72	33	43	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
North Parish	Ashland	177	38	71	0	5	0	3	0	0	0
Trinity	Athens	84	12	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St Andrew	Bethlehem	184	74	107	2	1	0	2	0	0	0
Nativity	Bethlehem	1,038	276	191	4	16	2	8	0	0	0
Trinity	Bethlehem	464	136	157	1	12	0	4	0	0	0
Trinity	Carbondale	113	36	51	2	5	0	2	1	0	0
St James	Dundaff	0	25	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prince of Peace	Dallas	171	48	52	2	3	3	6	0	0	0
St Gabriel	Douglasville	304	155	153	2	6	3	6	8	5	4
St James	Drifton	53	25	50	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Trinity	Easton	529	111	108	0	12	2	9	1	0	1
St Margaret	Emmaus	103	39	51	0	1	0	0	1	2	0
Christ	Forest City	61	37	49	0	4	0	0	0	5	0
Epiphany	Glenburn	511	60	69	0	12	0	1	0	0	0
St John	Hamlin	169	48	104	0	1	0	5	0	0	0
St Peter	Hazleton	114	35	50	2	2	0	5	0	0	0
St George	Hellertown	140	58	51	0	4	0	3	0	0	0
Grace	Honesdale	115	62	153	2	3	0	8	0	0	0
Christ	Indian Orchard	24	12	42	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
St James-St George	Jermyn	202	47	58	1	3	0	1	2	2	0
St Mark-St John	Jim Thorpe	234	68	115	3	4	0	5	6	5	5
Grace	Kingston	175	59	103	1	5	0	3	0	3	2
St Barnabas	Kutztown	20	12	19	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
St Luke	Lebanon	472	120	106	0	6	0	1	0	0	0
All Saints	Lehighton	246	60	50	1	5	0	2	1	5	0
Good Shepherd-St John	Milford	131	72	105	3	0	0	2	0	0	0
St Paul	Montrose	67	36	57	2	9	0	0	0	0	0
St Thomas	Morgantown	64	37	52	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
St Mark	Moscow	122	38	53	2	4	0	2	0	0	0

Vital Statistics of Congregations 2015
Diocese of Bethlehem

Name	City	Active Members	Sunday		Marriages		Burials		Baptisms		Confirmations	
			Attendance	Sat & Sun	Eucharists	16 & Up	Under 16	Under 16	Under 16	Under 16	Under 16	Received
Trinity	Mount Pocono	76	61	104	2	3	0	0	6	0	0	0
St Martin	Mountain Top	111	26	48	0	2	1	2	2	0	0	0
St Andrew	Nanticoke	42	23	50	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
St Brigid	Nazareth	159	64	50	1	1	0	3	0	7	1	0
St Mark	New Milford	33	14	53	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
St John	Palmerston	98	33	51	1	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
St Joseph	Pen Argyl	13	12	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity	Pottsville	249	90	68	2	10	0	5	4	1	2	0
Christ	Reading	627	159	161	3	7	2	10	0	0	0	0
St Mary	Reading	34	24	75	2	2	0	2	3	0	0	0
Redeemer	Sayre	179	86	144	3	12	0	3	0	0	0	0
St James	Schuylkill Haven	66	12	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Good Shepherd	Scranton	60	39	56	4	1	0	1	3	0	0	0
St Luke	Scranton	190	72	105	3	4	0	5	2	3	2	0
St Alban	Sinking Spring	362	90	106	1	6	0	1	0	0	0	0
Christ	Stroudsburg	245	107	145	2	3	0	2	0	1	0	0
Christ	Susquehanna	17	10	46	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calvary	Tamaqua	37	18	49	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	0
Christ	Towanda	156	45	53	3	7	2	0	0	0	0	0
St Anne	Trexlerstown	380	111	125	2	3	0	2	0	0	0	0
St Paul	Troy	69	19	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St Peter	Tunkhannock	40	25	49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity	West Pittston	152	44	52	1	0	0	6	0	1	0	0
St Stephen	Whitehall	127	28	98	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Holy Cross	Wilkes Barre	143	46	104	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	0
St Clement-St Peter	Wilkes Barre	90	36	52	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
St Stephen	Wilkes Barre	419	160	104	4	9	1	7	5	0	0	0
St Mary	Wind Gap	53	21	56	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0

2015 FINANCIAL STATISTICS OF CONGREGATIONS

Financial Statistics of Congregations 2015 *Diocese of Bethlehem*

Name	City	Pledge Amount		Operating Revenues		Total Revenues		Diocese Outreach		Non-Operating Expenses		Total Expenses
		Cards Pledged	Plates	Revenues	Operating	Revenues	Operating	Expenses	Expenses	Expenses		
Mediator	Allentown	72	269,060	299,677	411,491	143,102	554,593	48,737	2,500	404,558	94,730	499,288
Grace	Allentown	23	37,000	48,414	83,669	0	97,169	16,872	0	94,975	0	94,975
North Parish	Ashland	18	23,955	39,378	57,515	11,883	69,398	9,774	500	59,895	7,035	66,930
Trinity	Athens	13	19,632	31,492	64,576	3,666	68,242	9,935	379	65,464	3,998	69,462
St Andrew	Bethlehem	58	127,398	129,097	156,712	2,598	162,310	19,935	3,571	168,335	5,917	174,252
Nativity	Bethlehem	187	437,178	553,548	789,090	279,120	1,068,210	96,155	553	798,368	292,369	1,090,737
Trinity	Bethlehem	79	243,793	284,588	389,687	10,291	399,978	45,338	23,496	365,438	73,117	438,555
Trinity	Carbondale	16	12,300	33,750	65,750	25,813	91,563	11,880	1,500	85,917	11,505	97,422
St James	Dundaff	0	0	5,804	5,804	0	5,804	0	0	5,555	4,250	9,805
Prince of Peace	Dallas	44	56,708	78,644	98,640	22,502	121,142	8,682	860	100,915	32,450	133,365
St Gabriel	Dougllassville	61	181,587	288,050	335,011	310,972	645,983	44,457	4,994	425,576	49,504	475,080
St James	Drifton	24	11,681	12,365	40,018	2,783	42,801	4,099	1,249	13,176	523	13,699
Trinity	Easton	88	182,705	230,867	367,926	78,413	446,339	15,729	2,665	360,334	9,849	370,183
St Margaret	Emmaus	29	54,885	51,939	55,853	27,007	88,860	9,020	0	60,694	4,523	65,217
Christ	Forest City	29	29,066	44,492	54,480	3,503	61,983	10,858	987	60,450	7,717	68,167
Epiphany	Glenburn	68	147,825	154,870	237,126	8,016	245,142	35,288	14,948	237,126	8,587	245,713
St John	Hamlin	48	68,864	75,347	83,313	38,050	121,363	9,769	1,500	85,699	34,117	119,816
St Peter	Hazleton	42	66,653	74,171	98,526	1,546	100,072	14,243	1,009	80,134	0	80,134
St George	Hellertown	42	68,470	91,551	103,170	11,025	114,195	10,798	226	92,718	27,615	120,333
Grace	Honesdale	49	71,600	69,810	91,856	21,978	113,834	12,953	1,771	132,156	1,390	133,546
Christ	Indian Orchard	0	0	4,349	5,479	0	5,479	1,684	0	12,328	0	12,328
St James-St George	Jermyn	46	41,132	38,833	54,008	7,580	61,588	6,412	0	49,244	15,772	65,016
St Mark-St John	Jim Thorpe	0	0	60,276	274,771	0	274,771	31,503	0	251,940	0	251,940
Grace	Kingsston	47	83,259	106,567	184,815	766,086	950,901	20,142	1,261	192,191	19,773	211,964
St Barnabas	Kutztown	9	18,500	16,794	20,594	320	20,914	2,385	0	21,681	0	21,681
St Luke	Lebanon	84	174,292	204,943	299,871	7,483	307,354	38,667	500	287,167	19,826	306,993
All Saints	Lehighton	50	65,806	70,088	128,346	21,397	149,743	9,966	541	128,346	21,397	149,743
Good Shepherd-St John	Milford	46	100,310	117,303	145,516	38,900	184,416	19,161	0	131,832	53,089	184,921
St Paul	Montrose	31	58,508	77,000	149,990	75,125	225,115	24,103	8,883	176,008	98,482	274,490
St Thomas	Morgantown	21	58,204	55,023	66,365	0	66,365	9,163	1,000	65,953	0	65,953

Financial Statistics of Congregations 2015 Diocese of Bethlehem

Name	City	Pledge Amount		Operating Revenues		Total Revenues		Diocese Outreach		Operating Expenses		Total Expenses	
		Plunged	Pledges	Revenues	Operating	Revenues	Operating	Revenues	Operating	Revenues	Operating	Revenues	Operating
St Mark	Moscow	31	50,230	53,435	60,881	4,468	65,349	9,372	0	53,081	0	53,081	53,081
Trinity	Mount Pocono	62	107,664	109,222	168,267	5,142	173,409	18,641	0	149,761	5,142	154,903	154,903
St Martin	Mountain Top	22	31,500	31,388	42,181	3,395	45,576	5,465	563	41,375	11,861	53,236	53,236
St Andrew	Nanticoke	0	0	11,678	23,872	0	23,872	2,541	0	23,872	0	23,872	23,872
St Brigid	Nazareth	33	72,856	93,364	102,192	1,796	105,488	13,085	120	96,823	1,400	98,223	98,223
St Mark	New Milford	7	11,340	18,223	32,584	1,588	34,172	0	1,028	35,967	75	36,042	36,042
St John	Palmerton	14	29,320	58,677	107,737	3,827	111,564	12,649	0	101,370	6,148	107,518	107,518
St Joseph	Pen Argyl	14	7,893	17,966	23,120	0	27,515	173	317	25,859	818	26,677	26,677
Trinity	Pottsville	55	97,408	135,228	253,727	232,512	486,239	28,964	8,701	294,146	38,665	332,811	332,811
Christ	Reading	99	288,296	300,881	440,916	53,255	494,171	68,809	30,476	550,859	23,333	574,192	574,192
St Mary	Reading	22	35,332	37,700	42,125	4,975	49,100	7,308	425	49,716	31,528	81,244	81,244
Redeemer	Sayre	40	68,109	83,879	205,021	0	205,021	16,687	176	192,091	0	192,091	192,091
St James	Schuylkill Haven	0	0	26,342	26,709	0	26,709	3,541	1,100	26,483	0	26,483	26,483
Good Shepherd	Scranton	23	44,640	67,066	68,191	3,686	71,877	9,662	0	60,135	20,945	81,080	81,080
St Luke	Scranton	44	62,026	73,707	233,658	27,093	260,751	25,401	2,200	210,427	38,685	249,112	249,112
St Alban	Sinking Spring	52	127,680	191,098	269,439	322,276	591,715	30,222	0	261,803	300,010	561,813	561,813
Christ	Stroudsburg	59	149,900	173,890	197,896	13,278	211,174	24,541	6,526	201,743	6,132	207,875	207,875
Christ	Susquehanna	8	18,268	20,250	30,201	0	30,201	4,041	705	26,979	0	26,979	26,979
Calvary	Tamaqua	0	0	15,130	16,619	0	16,619	1,907	0	16,339	0	16,339	16,339
Christ	Towanda	29	52,149	121,038	121,038	47,402	168,440	14,823	0	120,590	18,527	139,117	139,117
St Anne	Trexlerstown	81	282,556	323,921	357,614	185,606	543,220	50,208	5,511	330,037	185,605	515,642	515,642
St Paul	Troy	14	21,540	22,500	35,980	6,135	44,115	4,284	595	28,825	7,642	36,467	36,467
St Peter	Tunkhannock	9	25,515	49,419	78,782	5,318	84,100	9,511	0	76,165	20,825	96,990	96,990
Trinity	West Pittston	41	42,200	44,336	75,314	42,167	117,481	4,550	24,857	102,024	18,425	120,449	120,449
St Stephen	Whitehall	27	34,788	71,056	157,478	0	170,978	25,200	50	207,955	0	207,955	207,955
Holy Cross	Wilkes Barre	53	48,500	58,772	66,345	4,300	70,645	7,621	0	64,802	4,300	69,102	69,102
St Clement-St Peter	Wilkes Barre	21	31,552	60,043	69,275	131,290	200,565	9,889	479	98,420	88,815	187,235	187,235
St Stephen	Wilkes Barre	68	106,000	150,321	383,785	46,557	430,342	49,618	18,830	388,346	22,255	410,601	410,601
St Mary	Wind Gap	0	0	23,626	23,626	19,490	43,116	3,450	0	23,626	19,490	43,116	43,116