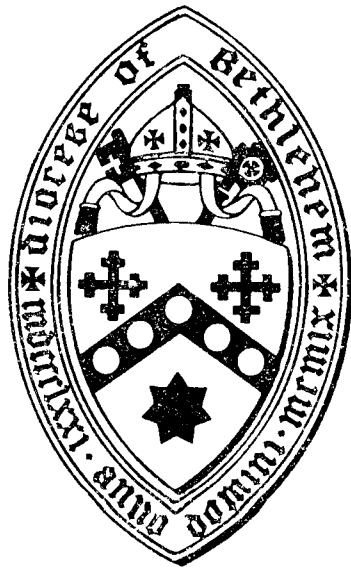


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## The Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem



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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, Chair  
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 Church, Tunkhannock  
John Feather, St. Luke's Church, Lebanon  
Roger Mattes, Church of the Epiphany, Clarks Summit

### **Committee for Resolutions of Courtesy**

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

### **Claims of Clergy and Lay Delegates to Seats in the Convention (Dispatch)**

The Rev. Canon Anne Kitch, Diocesan Staff, Chair  
The Rev. Megan Dembi, St. Thomas, Morgantown  
Peter Gonze, Trinity, Mt. Pocono

### **Judges of Election**

John Bates, St. Anne's, Trexlertown  
Elizabeth Grohowski, St. Luke's, Scranton  
Barbara Iannelli, Cathedral Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem

## **2017-2018 COMMITTEES OF THE DIOCESE**

### **Members of the Standing Committee**

The members of the Standing Committee serve as the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese in absence of the bishop. There are four lay and four ordained members of the committee, all of whom are elected for a four-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.” It is their duty to fill vacancies on elected committees that may occur between conventions; they also are asked to approve ordinations in the diocese and to approve the election of bishops in other dioceses in the ECUSA.

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe, Bishop

#### **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 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

**Class of 2020**

The Rev. Christine Sutton, (1), Prince of Peace, Dallas

Robert Schreiber, (2), Christ Church, Forest City and St. James', Dundaff

**Appointed by Bishop Sean**

The Rev. Rebecca Barnes, St. Luke's, Scranton

The Rev. Elizabeth Haynes, St. James', Drifton

The Rev. Susan Treanor, Trinity, Mt. Pocono

Laura Drum, Cathedral Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem

Jay Freeman, Christ Church, Stroudsburg

Maggie Niles, Grace Church, Honesdale

**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, the Assistant Bishop, the Treasurer and the Chancellor are ex-officio members.

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe, Bishop

**Class of 2018**

The Rev. Van Bankston, (1), Good Shepherd & St. John the Evangelist, Milford

The Rev. David Green, (1), St. Gabriel's, Douglassville

Will Hanson, (1), St. James', Schuylkill Haven

Jim Harding, (1), St. Anne's, Trexlertown

**Class of 2019**

The Rev. Tim Alleman, (1), Holy Cross, Wilkes-Barre

The Rev. Lou Divis, (1), St. Peter's, Tunkhannock

Sandra Pease Darde, (1), St. Paul's, Montrose

Ron Honeywell, (1), St. Stephen's Pro Cathedral, Wilkes-Barre

**Class of 2020**

The Rev. Timothy Albright, (1), Trinity Church, Pottsville

The Rev. Rodney Conn, (2), Cathedral Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem

Richard Evans, (2), St. Martin's, Mountain Top

Cynthia Nortey, (1) Christ Church, Stroudsburg

**Ex Officio**

The Rev. Canon Anne E. Kitch, Canon to the Ordinary

The Ven. Richard I. Cluett, Archdeacon

Charles V. Barebo, Diocesan Treasurer

Linda Henry, Diocesan Chancellor

## 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 September 30, 2017 - Arranged in the Order of Canonical Residence

### THE BISHOP

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe..... 03/01/14

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<b>Name</b>	<b>Date Retired</b>	<b>Date Canonical Residence</b>
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
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

	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.	12/31/2017	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
†	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

	Cembalistry, 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	06/12/2004
†	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	12/31/2016	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
	Miller, The Rev. Valerie A.		04/28/2011
†	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
†	Davis, The Rev. John W		12/21/2012
†	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
†	Artman, The Rev. Melinda	04/10/2017
†	Reid, The Rev. Dennis	08/24/2017
	† Attended Convention	

## 2017 LICENSED TO OFFICIATE CLERGY

The Rev. Charles Cesaretti  
 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 Harris  
 The Rev. Donna Larson  
 The Rev. John Marcantonio  
 †The Rev. Ronald R. Miller  
 The Rev. Donald Shearer  
 The Rev. Canon William Warne, II  
 The Rev. Estelle Webb  
 The Rev. Robert Wellner

†Attended Convention

## LIST OF LAY DELEGATES TO CONVENTION

PARISH		NAME	ROLE
All Saints Episcopal Church		Cheryl Donovan	Elected Delegate
All Saints Episcopal Church		Cyndi Levis	Elected Delegate
Cathedral Church of the Nativity		Cathy Bailey	Elected Delegate
Cathedral Church of the Nativity	†	Charles Montgomery	Elected Delegate
Cathedral Church of the Nativity	†	Karen Boksan	Elected Delegate
Cathedral Church of the Nativity		Pam Calabrese	Elected Delegate
Cathedral Church of the Nativity	†	Richard Sause	Elected Delegate
Cathedral Church of the Nativity	†	Connie Gilbert	Alternate-Delegate
Cathedral Church of the Nativity	†	Thomas Edwards	Alternate-Delegate
Christ Episcopal Church - Forest City	†	Robert Schreiber	Elected Delegate
Christ Episcopal Church - Forest City		Susan Schreiber	Alternate
Christ Episcopal Church - Reading	†	Cynthia Pipkin	Elected Delegate
Christ Episcopal Church - Reading	†	Mike Nerino	Elected Delegate
Christ Episcopal Church - Reading	†	Sarah Stapleton	Elected Delegate
Christ Episcopal Church - Reading		Cliff Buck Walter	Alternate

Christ Episcopal Church - Stroudsburg	†	Patti Alleger	Elected Delegate
Christ Episcopal Church - Stroudsburg	†	Sue Freeman	Elected Delegate
Christ Episcopal Church - Stroudsburg	†	Michele Causton	Alternate
Christ Episcopal Church - Susquehanna	†	Louanne Giles	Elected Delegate
Christ Episcopal Church - Susquehanna		Gus Giles	Alternate
Church of the Epiphany	†	Derry Bird	Elected Delegate
Church of the Epiphany	†	Linda Rogers	Elected Delegate
Church of the Epiphany		John Baildon	Alternate
Church of the Good Shepherd	†	Pamela Shotto	Elected Delegate
Church of the Good Shepherd & St John	†	Patrice Singleton	Elected Delegate
Church of the Good Shepherd & St John	†	Tim Singleton	Elected Delegate
Church of the Mediator	†	Adam Keller	Elected Delegate
Church of the Mediator		Patricia Gaukler	Elected Delegate
Church of the Mediator	†	Eric Theiner	<del>Alternate</del> -Delegate
Church of the Mediator		Maurice Gaukler	Alternate
Church of the Redeemer	†	Gretchen Rentschler	Elected Delegate
Church of the Redeemer	†	Linda Murrelle	Elected Delegate
Church of the Redeemer		Charles Preston	Alternate
Grace Episcopal Church - Allentown	†	Jeffrey Kemmerer	Elected Delegate
Grace Episcopal Church - Allentown		Lori Molloy	Alternate
Grace Episcopal Church - Honesdale	†	Jane Bunnell	Elected Delegate
Grace Episcopal Church - Honesdale	†	Zachary Wyckoff	Elected Delegate
Grace Episcopal Church - Honesdale	†	Maggie Niles	Alternate
Grace Episcopal Church - Kingston	†	Mike Grady	Elected Delegate
Grace Episcopal Church - Kingston	†	Sara McNelis	Elected Delegate
Holy Cross Episcopal Church	†	Linda Abner	Elected Delegate
Holy Cross Episcopal Church	†	William Falzone	Elected Delegate
North Parish	†	Bonnie Baker	Elected Delegate
North Parish	†	Lois Hewes	Elected Delegate
North Parish	†	Donald Clamser	Alternate
Prince of Peace	†	Jeff Algatt	Elected Delegate
Prince of Peace	†	John Hudak	Elected Delegate
St. Alban's Episcopal Church	†	Eric Murray	Elected Delegate
St. Alban's Episcopal Church	†	Lynne Murray	Elected Delegate
St. Alban's Episcopal Church	†	Carol Jenkins	Alternate
St. Alban's Episcopal Church		Kathy Fromuth	Alternate
St. Andrew's Church - Alden Station		George Marr	Elected Delegate
St. Andrew's Church - Alden Station		Susan Maza	Alternate
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church - Allentown	†	Jean Evans	Elected Delegate
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church - Allentown	†	Susan Boskett	Elected Delegate
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church - Allentown	†	Liza Holzinger	Alternate
St. Anne's Episcopal Church	†	John Sibre	Elected Delegate
St. Anne's Episcopal Church	†	Paul Persico	Elected Delegate
St. Anne's Episcopal Church		Connie Archer	Alternate
St. Brigid's Episcopal Church	†	Jennifer McTighe	Elected Delegate
St. Brigid's Episcopal Church	†	Mary Jo Julian	Elected Delegate

St. Brigid's Episcopal Church		Georgia Cianci	Alternate
St. Brigid's Episcopal Church		Lisa Meixsell	Alternate
St. Clement & St. Peter's Church	✝	Karen Zapotok	Elected Delegate
St. Clement & St. Peter's Church		Suzy Kaminski	Alternate
St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church	✝	Mark Hessler	Elected Delegate
St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church	✝	Sally Heist	Elected Delegate
St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church	✝	Steve Fairbrother	Elected Delegate
St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church		Carol Heist	Alternate
St. George's Episcopal Church		Cheryl Glasker	Elected Delegate
St. George's Episcopal Church	✝	Martha Bongiorno	Elected Delegate
St. George's Episcopal Church		Candace Jefferson	Alternate
St. James and St. George	✝	Don McGeachie	Elected Delegate
St. James and St. George	✝	Janice Black	Elected Delegate
St. James and St. George		Wayne Evans	Alternate
St. James' Church - Schuylkill Haven	✝	Albert Czap	Elected Delegate
St. James' Church - Schuylkill Haven	✝	Julie Evitts	Alternate
St. James' Episcopal Church - Drifton	✝	Ida Horne	Elected Delegate
St. James' Episcopal Church - Drifton	✝	Kim Ingalsbe	Alternate
St. John's Episcopal Church - Hamlin	✝	Karen Fels	Elected Delegate
St. John's Episcopal Church - Hamlin	✝	Paul Fels	Elected Delegate
St. John's Episcopal Church - Hamlin	✝	Bobbie Hraba	Alternate
St. John's Episcopal Church - Hamlin		Marianne Berryman	Alternate
St. John's Episcopal Church - Palmerton		Laurie Newman-Mankos	Elected Delegate
St. John's Episcopal Church - Palmerton	✝	Paula Seiler	Alternate-Delegate
St. Luke's Episcopal Church - Lebanon	✝	John Feather	Elected Delegate
St. Luke's Episcopal Church - Lebanon	✝	Linda Arguedas	Elected Delegate
St. Luke's Episcopal Church - Lebanon	✝	Todd Snovel	Elected Delegate
St. Luke's Episcopal Church - Lebanon	✝	Elaine Feather	Alternate
St. Luke's Episcopal Church - Scranton		Elsa Nelson	Elected Delegate
St. Luke's Episcopal Church - Scranton	✝	Jane Merolla	Elected Delegate
St. Luke's Episcopal Church - Scranton	✝	David Wegner	Alternate-Delegate
St. Luke's Episcopal Church - Scranton		Rebecca Beal	Alternate
St. Margaret's Episcopal Church	✝	Connie Allport	Elected Delegate
St. Margaret's Episcopal Church	✝	Carla Holdridge	Alternate
St. Mark's and St. John's	✝	Heather Cassidy	Elected Delegate
St. Mark's and St. John's	✝	Mary Shorten	Elected Delegate
St. Mark's and St. John's		Michael Shorten	Alternate
St. Mark's and St. John's		Stephen Berger	Alternate
St. Mark's Episcopal Church - Moscow	✝	John Bomersheim, Sr	Elected Delegate
St. Mark's Episcopal Church - Moscow	✝	Julia Pickarski	Elected Delegate
St. Mark's Episcopal Church - Moscow	✝	John Bomersheim, Jr	Alternate
St. Mark's Episcopal Church - Moscow	✝	Rebecca McLaughlin	Alternate
St. Mark's Episcopal Church-New Milford	✝	Joan Flint	Elected Delegate
St. Mark's Episcopal Church-New Milford	✝	Anne Davenport	Alternate
St. Martin-In-The-Fields	✝	Don Herres	Elected Delegate
St. Mary's Episcopal Church - Reading	✝	Mary Anderson	Elected Delegate

St. Mary's Episcopal Church - Reading		Chris Rickert	Alternate
St. Paul's Episcopal Church - Montrose	†	Lynne Graham	Elected Delegate
St. Paul's Episcopal Church - Montrose	†	Martha Kupscznk	Alternate
St. Paul's Episcopal Church - Troy	†	Melody Lewis	Elected Delegate
St. Paul's Episcopal Church - Troy	†	Betsy Sentigar	Alternate
St. Paul's Episcopal Church - Troy	†	Mary Beth & Peter Baker	Alternate
St. Peter's Episcopal Church - Hazleton	†	Rebecca Paletski	Elected Delegate
St. Peter's Episcopal Church - Tunkhannock	†	Charles Welles	Elected Delegate
St. Peter's Episcopal Church - Tunkhannock	†	Dorothy Shaw	Alternate
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church	†	Elizabeth Devore	Elected Delegate
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church	†	Linda Hardy	Elected Delegate
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church	†	Steve Devore	Alternate
St. Stephen's Pro Cathedral	†	Anthony Brooks	Elected Delegate
St. Stephen's Pro Cathedral	†	Debra Kellerman	Elected Delegate
St. Stephen's Pro Cathedral	†	Caron Nelson	Alternate
St. Stephen's Pro Cathedral		Suzanne Harley	Alternate
St. Thomas Episcopal Church		Arlene Hathaway	Elected Delegate
St. Thomas Episcopal Church	†	Evans Goodling	<del>Alternate-Delegate</del>
Trinity Episcopal Church - Athens	†	Margaret Gerhart	Elected Delegate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Athens		Daniel Gerhart	Alternate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Bethlehem	†	Susan Mangina	Elected Delegate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Bethlehem	†	Ross Mangina	Elected Delegate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Bethlehem	†	Sara Klingner	Elected Delegate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Bethlehem		Gloria Tarby	Alternate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Bethlehem		Sarah Molinaro	Alternate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Bethlehem	†	Logan Vitlos	Youth Delegate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Carbondale	†	Bonnie Bay	Elected Delegate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Carbondale	†	Mary Lou Williams	<del>Elected Delegate</del>
Trinity Episcopal Church - Carbondale	†	Debra Minton	<del>Alternate-Delegate</del>
Trinity Episcopal Church - Carbondale	†	Jerry Minton	Alternate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Easton	†	Anne Szlivko	Elected Delegate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Easton	†	Fred Crivellaro	Elected Delegate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Easton	†	Roger Shields	Elected Delegate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Easton	†	John Trenberth	<del>Alternate-Delegate</del>
Trinity Episcopal Church - Mt Pocono	†	Jan Anglemire	Elected Delegate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Mt Pocono	†	Peter Gonze	Alternate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Pottsville	†	Kurt Kovalovich	Elected Delegate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Pottsville	†	Norm Kauffman	Elected Delegate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Pottsville		Barbara Tokarz	Alternate
Trinity Episcopal Church - Pottsville		Cora Gamelin-Osenbach	Alternate
Trinity Episcopal Church - West Pittston	†	Janine Ungvasky	Elected Delegate
Trinity Episcopal Church - West Pittston	†	Marti Shafer-Callahan	Elected Delegate
Trinity Episcopal Church - West Pittston	†	Lindsey Humphreys	Alternate

† - attended convention

~~Alternate-Delegate~~ – Elected as alternate – filled in as delegate

# CONVENTION AGENDA

## Carbondale Grand Hotel & Conference Center - Carbondale

September 29 – 30, 2017

### Friday, September 29

8:30 a.m. Check-In Opens

10:00 a.m. **Session I: Business**

Call to order

Morning Prayer

Welcome / Orientation to Rules of Order and Decorum

Quorum

Claims of Clergy and Delegates to Seats

Seat & Voice

Clergy LTO

Members of Diocesan Youth Council

Introductions and Remembrances

Since our Last Convention: Ordinations, New Clergy, New Staff, Clergy who have retired, Clergy who have died, Clergy spouse and partners who have died.

Other Introductions: Youth Council Delegates

Honor Rick (Cluett)

Honor Dan (Charney)

Appointment of Committees

Refer business to Committees

Report of Chair on Resolutions

Call for Resolutions from the floor

Resolution A: Second Reading of Constitution

10:20 a.m. Transition / Break

10:30 a.m. Bishop's Search Committee lead-in

**11:00 a.m. Session II: Keynote** – Moses, Jesus, and the Diocese of Bethlehem:

Walking with Curiosity and Courage, The Rev. Canon Scott Slater

11:45 a.m. Announcements / Noonday Prayer

12:00 p.m. Lunch

**1:00 p.m. Keynote Continues:**

The Rev. Canon Scott Slater and The Rev. Canon Anne Kitch

3:30 p.m. Announcements: Reception, Eucharist, Walking & Driving Instructions,

Banquet time, clear tables, hotel checkout note

4:00 p.m. Break / Reception at Trinity and tours of the church

5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist at Trinity Church

UTO ingathering

ECW ingathering at time of offertory

7:00 p.m. Banquet (Carbondale Grand Hotel & Conference Center)

**Saturday, September 30th**

8:30 a.m. Reconvene  
Morning Prayer, including necrology  
Reminder of Rules of Order and Decorum  
Report from Nominating Committee  
    Nominations for Committees  
        Standing Committee - none  
        Diocesan Council  
        Commission on Ministry  
    Call for nominations from floor  
    Close nominations  
    Move unchallenged elections  
First ballot (Additional Ballots as needed)  
Treasurer: DIT, Financial status  
Report from Chair of Resolutions (Constitutions and Canons)  
    B: Budget  
    C: 2017 Salary Schedule  
    D: Canons revisions  
    E: Proxy [or move to refer to committee for action at 147<sup>th</sup> convention]  
Announce Ballots results  
    Second Ballot  
Other Reports  
    Reports Filed by Title  
        Commission on Ministry  
        Diocesan Council  
        Episcopal Church Women  
        Examining Chaplains  
        Standing Committee  
    Admission of New Parishes and Missions (none)  
    New Hope: Charlie Barebo  
    Youth Mission Trip  
Announce Ballot Results  
    Third Ballot  
Elections of Convention Officers for 2017-2018  
    Treasurer  
    Secretary  
        Nomination (For each office)  
        Call for nomination from floor  
        Close Nomination  
        Elect by voice vote  
Bishop Appointments to COM  
Announce Ballot Results  
Bishop's Address  
Resolutions of Courtesy  
12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayers  
Adjournment

# PROCEEDINGS of the 146<sup>th</sup> DIOCESAN CONVENTION

September 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> A.D. 2017

Carbondale Grand Hotel & Conference Center and Trinity Episcopal Church, Carbondale, Pennsylvania

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## Format of these minutes:

Business in order before the convention

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

*Action taken by convention.*

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### First Session, Friday, September 29 at 10:00 am

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe, Bishop, called the meeting to order. Michele Causton officiated at Morning Prayer.

Bonnie Bay, Senior Warden at Trinity Episcopal Church, welcomed the Convention to the city of Carbondale.

Bishop Sean welcomed those attending and extended his appreciation for the willingness of the delegates to serve.

The Rev. Canon Anne Kitch, on behalf of the Committee on Claims and Credentials, certified that 52 of the 133 clergy who qualify for seat, voice and vote at convention under Article V, section 2 of the Constitution are registered and thus a quorum is present. Canon Kitch also certified that of the 58 parishes entitled to lay delegates under Article V, section 3 of the Constitution, 82 delegates representing 49 parishes were registered for convention and therefore a quorum was present.

Canon Kitch then recommended and moved, on behalf of the Committee on Claims and Credentials, that seat and voice be granted to clergy who are licensed to officiate in the diocese and the members of the Diocesan Youth Council who are present.

*Motion carried.*

### Bishop Sean then introduced or announced:

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#### Ordinations:

The Rev. Dale Grandfield – Priesthood

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#### Clergy New to the Diocese:

The Rev. Melinda Artman – Priest in Charge, Church of the Redeemer, Sayre  
The Rev. Dennis Reid, Rector, St. Alban's, Sinking Spring  
New Licensed to Officiate, welcome back – Donna Larsen, Estelle Webb

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**Clergy who have died:**

The Rev. Sara “Sally” H. Dover  
The Rev. Paul Coleman Cochran  
The Rev. Canon George Loeffler  
The Rev. Joseph DeAcetis  
The Rev. Canon Jane Teter  
The Rev. Bob Duvall

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**Clergy Spouses and Partners who have died:**

Ruth AtLee – widow of The Rev. Frank AtLee  
Joan Maloney – widow of The Rev. Joseph Maloney  
Dorothy Searfoss – widow of The Rev. Vernon Searfoss  
Nelson van den Blink – spouse of The Rev. Han van den Blink

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**Youth Council Delegate:**

Logan Vitalos, Trinity, Bethlehem

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**New Diocesan Staff:**

Brenda DeBellis – assistant for finance and chief financial officer

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**Diocesan Retirements:**

Bishop Sean then acknowledged two individuals who will be retiring at the end of the year and who have had integral roles in the life of the Diocese. He first called on the Very Rev. Tony Pompa, Dean of the Cathedral to come forward to introduce Archdeacon Rick Cluett. Rick thanked the Bishop for calling him out of “retirement and also expressed his joy in serving the Diocese and the greater Church.

Bishop Sean next asked The Rev. Jim Rinehart to come forward to introduce Dan Charney, retiring Stewardship Missioner. In an emotional address, Dan thanked the many people in the diocese who have supported him and Jan over the years; assuring the convention that he will continue to serve the diocese in some form.

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**Appointment of Committees:**

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

**Constitutions and Canons/ and Resolutions**

Linda Henry, Chair  
Ty Welles  
John Hartman  
Todd Moffett  
Lou Divis  
Anne Kitch



John Feather  
Roger Mattes  
John Wagner – Resolutions of Courtesy

**Judges of Elections**

John Bates  
Barbara Iannelli  
Liz Grohowski

**Claims of Clergy and Lay Delegates to Seats in the Convention (Dispatch)**

Anne Kitch, Chair  
Megan Dembi  
Peter Gonze

**The Committee on Nominations**

Earl Trygar, chair  
Libby House  
Rich Evans

The Committee on Dispatch of business reported the following resolutions were before the Convention for consideration:

Resolution B: Diocesan Budget  
Resolution C: 2018 Clergy Salary Schedule

The Committee on Constitution and Canons reported the following resolutions were before the Convention for consideration:

Resolution A: Amendments to the Constitution of the Diocese, second reading  
Resolution D: Revisions of the Canons

No other resolutions were submitted.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons moved Resolution A for consideration by convention. There being no discussion, the resolution was voted on by order.

*Motion carried unanimously.*

Bishop Sean then turned the floor over to the Bishop Search Committee who introduced themselves and gave an outline and update on the search process.

The Rev. Ed Erb officiated at Noonday Prayer

**End of Session**

**Break for lunch**

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**Session 2, 1:00 pm**

**Keynote:**

**Moses, Jesus and the Diocese of Bethlehem: Walking with Curiosity and Courage**

The Rev. Canon Scott Slater

**End of Session 2**

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

Convention returned to the Carbondale Grand for **The Convention Banquet**.

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**Session 3, Saturday, September 30 at 8:30 am**

Bishop Sean called the convention back to order.

Bob Schreiber officiated at Morning Prayer, including the necrology (Dorothy Shaw).

The Rev. Earl Trygar, on behalf of the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominees:

**Diocesan Council, Clergy**

Timothy Albright

Rodney Conn

Brian Pavlac

John Wagner

David Zwifka

**Diocesan Council, Lay**

Donald Clamser

F. Laird Evans

Rich Evans

Cynthia Nortey

**Commission on Ministry, Clergy**

Rebecca Parsons-Cancelliere

Christine Sutton

**Commission on Ministry, Lay**

Robert Schreiber

No other nominations were received from the floor and the nominations were declared closed.

**Results of the elections:**

**Diocesan Council**

The Rev. Timothy Albright  
The Rev. Rodney Conn  
Rich Evans  
Cynthia Nortey

**Commission on Ministry**

The Rev. Christine Sutton  
Robert Schreiber

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**Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer, The Rev. Charlie Barebo, reported on the financial status of the Diocese. Charlie also reviewed the proposed 2018 Diocesan Budget.

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**Resolutions Committee:**

The Rev. Canon Anne Kitch, on behalf of the Resolutions Committee, moved the following for consideration:

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

**Resolution C:** 2017 Salary Schedule. There was a question as to how the Parish Index is calculated. After the calculation was explained, convention voted on Resolution C. *Motion carried.*

**Committee on Constitution and Canons:**

Linda Henry, on behalf of the Committee on Constitution and Canons, moved the following for consideration:

**Resolution D:** Amendment to the Canons. *Motion carried.*

**Resolution E:** Proxy votes for Annual Meetings. This was referred back to the Committee for review and consideration at the 147<sup>th</sup> Convention.

**Resolutions Committee and Committee on Constitution and Canons Concluded.**

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Bishop Sean then informed the convention that all other reports required by the canons have been filed by title and are available on the Diocesan website.

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**New Hope:**

The Rev. Charlie Barebo gave an update on the status of the schools in the Diocese of Kajo-Keji.

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**Youth Mission Trip:**

Steve and Mary Ellen Whitely and Youth Council delegate Logan Vitalos presented the work performed by the youth of the diocese on the last three mission trips to the Appalachian Mountains in southwestern Virginia and issued a call for others to join them next summer.

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**Election of Officers:**

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

*Elected by voice vote.*

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

The Rev. Rebecca Barnes                      The Rev. Elizabeth Haynes  
The Rev. Susan Treanor                      Laura Drum  
Jay Freeman                                      Maggie Niles

**The Bishop’s Address**

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe

**Resolutions of Courtesy:**

The Rev. John Wagner presented the resolutions of courtesy.  
*Consented to unanimous applause.*

The Rev. Van Bankston officiated at Noonday Prayer.

*Convention Adjourned*

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

**RESOLUTIONS**

***Resolution A: Amendments to the Constitution of the Diocese, second reading***

BE IT RESOLVED, that, pursuant to Article XII of the Constitution of the Diocese of Bethlehem, the following amendments to Constitution of the Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem having been submitted in writing and approved by a majority of both Orders by the 145<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Diocese of Bethlehem, that these amendments be approved by a second vote by the 146<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Diocese of Bethlehem and be it further resolved, that these Amendments shall take effect the day after any affirmative second vote of this 146<sup>th</sup> Convention.

**ARTICLE I**

The Church in the Diocese of Bethlehem, being a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the Constitution and Canons of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

## ARTICLE II

There shall be a stated Convention of the Church in this Diocese every year, convening on such day and at such place as the preceding Convention may have appointed; and if no appointment shall have been made, then the Bishop and the Standing Committee shall appoint the day and the place. The Bishop and the Standing Committee shall have the power to change the place and time of Convention.

## ARTICLE III

The Bishop may call Special Conventions when he *or she* shall judge it conducive to the good of the Church; and he *or she* shall do so when requested by a vote of three-fourths of the Standing Committee. If the Episcopate be vacant, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention; such call to be made by a circular letter to all the Clergy and Parishes, and issued not less than thirty days previous to the day appointed for the Convention, stating the special business for which the Convention is called.

## ARTICLE IV

Every Convention shall be opened with Prayers, as directed by the Bishop, and at every Convention there shall be a celebration of the Holy Communion.

## ARTICLE V

**Section 1.** The Convention shall be composed of Clergy and Lay Deputies.

**Section 2.** Every member of the Clergy canonically resident in the Diocese ~~and actually engaged in Church work with the previous written sanction of the Ecclesiastical Authority~~ shall be entitled to a seat and a vote in the Convention. ~~Provided, that no member of the Clergy once entitled to a seat and a vote shall be deprived of them by reason of retirement, disability, sickness, or by fulfilling duties in an approved institution of learning, or as an officer or employee of the Executive Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of the National Council of Churches, or by serving as a chaplain in the armed services or in the Veteran's Administration.~~

**Section 3.** The Lay members shall consist of the Secretary, Treasurer, and Chancellor of the Diocese, if they be lay members; and of *at least one Lay Deputy Delegate* from each Parish and Organized Mission in union with the Convention; *with additional delegates as may be set forth in the Canons.* ~~with one additional Lay Deputy for each two hundred lay members or fraction thereof over one hundred in such Parish or Organized Mission as reported in the annual Parochial Report for the year ending December 31st preceding; the Laity in all cases, like the Clergy, voting as individuals; but no Parish or Organized Mission shall be entitled to representation in the Convention which: (a) for the space of two years shall not have employed member of the Clergy as its Parish Minister or applied to the Bishop for the services of a Missionary; or, (b) shall have failed to pay the assessment laid upon it by the authorities of the Diocese on or before the first day of the annual Convention; or, (c) failed to provide an audit as required under the Canons.~~

~~Furthermore, with respect to any Parish or Organized Mission which shall have failed to pay the assessment laid upon it as herein before mentioned, in furtherance of Title I, Canon 7, Section 4~~

~~of the Constitution and Canons for the Government of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America (Rev. 1991), the Bishop may, in his discretion, suspend the jurisdiction of the vestry of the delinquent Parish or the Executive Committee of the delinquent Organized Mission until such time as said delinquency is satisfactorily resolved.~~

~~But any such Parish shall again be entitled to representation, if on its own application, accompanied by a report of its condition satisfactory on the points herein named, the Convention shall agree thereto, and this right shall take effect immediately upon the Convention so agreeing. The term "lay member," as used in this Article V, and in Article VIII below, shall in every case mean baptized lay members of the Church in good standing.~~

## **ARTICLE VI**

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, but in case of absence or vacancy in the Episcopate, the Convention shall elect a President from among the Clergy.

## **ARTICLE VII**

~~A Secretary, a Treasurer, a Chancellor, a Registrar, and a Historiographer shall be chosen at each annual Convention and shall remain in office until their successors be appointed and as set forth in the Canons and whose duties shall be defined by Canon.~~

## **ARTICLE VIII**

~~There shall be a Standing Committee consisting of five an equal number of clergy and five lay members.~~

~~The duties of the Standing Committee shall conform to the General Church Constitution and Canons and the Canons of the Diocese of Bethlehem. who when there is no Bishop, or when he or she is incapable of acting, shall perform such duties not peculiar to the Episcopate as are in the Constitution and Canons assigned to the Bishop.~~

~~A member of the Standing Committee may be elected for a second consecutive term of five years but then shall not be eligible for further re-election as a member of the Committee before the annual Convention next following completion of that member's second consecutive term. At each annual Convention, one member of clergy and one lay member shall be elected for a term of five years.~~

~~The Standing Committee shall have the authority to fill all vacancies that may occur during the recess of the Convention, in their own body, and also such other offices as are held by election at the annual Convention. If the unexpired term is two years or less, the person so appointed shall fill the unexpired term. If the unexpired term is more than two years, then the Standing Committee shall appoint a person to serve until the next Convention, at which time the Convention shall fill the office.~~

~~In addition to the powers already vested in them, they shall also have authority to transact such executive business as may be brought before them during the recess of the Convention.~~

~~It shall be the duty of the Standing Committee to see that a report on the State of the Church in the Diocese of Bethlehem is on hand and kept up to date as part of the planning data of the Diocese.~~

## ARTICLE IX

~~The Clergy and Lay Deputies in Convention shall deliberate in one body, and shall vote as such, except when it is required otherwise by five members. In such a case the Convention shall vote as two distinct Orders, and a majority of the votes of each Order taken separately shall be necessary to give validity to a measure. In all elections a vote by orders shall not be required except as provided in this Article.~~

Twenty members of the Clergy together with Lay Deputies Delegates from Twenty Parishes and Organized Missions, duly assembled in Convention, shall be a quorum, and on every question the votes of a majority of those present, or (when a vote by Orders is required) the votes of a majority of those present of the two Orders respectively shall decide.

~~In all elections, except the election of a Bishop, Convention shall vote as one body through the use of a marked ballot, voting machine or other mechanical or electronic devices. The mode of election shall be as provided by Canon. Any amendment to the elections Canon can only become effective at the Convention next succeeding the Convention in which the Canon is amended.~~

## ARTICLE X

**Section 1.** To entitle a Parish or Congregation to admission into union with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, it shall be required that the Vestry submit to the Convention their original Charter, or an authenticated copy thereof, if the Parish is already incorporated, or their proposed Articles of Incorporation if said Parish has not yet been incorporated; and it shall appear therein that such Parish accedes to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese; and it shall appear further that the said Charter or said proposed Articles have been submitted to the Bishop and Standing Committee at least thirty days before the meeting of the Convention, and by them respectively approved; or if the approbation of either the Bishop or Standing Committee, or both, is withheld, he or they shall report to the Convention with the Charter or said proposed Articles, the reason of his or their disapprobation. But no deputation from any Parish shall be entitled to vote in the same Convention at which the Parish shall be admitted as a member unless such Parish was in union with the Convention as an Organized Mission. Promptly the Parish, if already incorporated, shall file any required Articles of Amendment, and, if not yet incorporated, shall file said proposed Articles of Incorporation in the appropriate Court. Similar procedure shall be followed with respect to any amendment of Charter.

**Section 2.** To entitle an ~~Organized~~ Mission to admission into union with the Protestant Episcopal Church In this Diocese, it shall be required that the Executive Committee submit to the Convention their original Articles of Association and application for organization, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated; and it shall appear therein that such ~~Organized~~ Mission accedes to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese; and it shall appear further, that the said Articles and application have been submitted to the Bishop and Standing Committee at least thirty days before the meeting of the Convention, and by them respectively approved, but no deputation from any ~~Organized~~ Mission shall be entitled to vote in the Convention at which it shall be admitted as a member. Similar procedure shall be followed with respect to any amendment to the Articles of Association of an ~~Organized~~ Mission.

## ARTICLE XI

When a Bishop is to be elected, the election shall be at the regular Annual Convention or at a Special Convention duly called for that purpose. No person shall be declared elected unless he *or*

*she* shall receive a majority of the votes cast in each Order voting separately at the same ballot; provided, that ~~two-thirds~~ *one-half* of all the Clergy entitled to votes be present and two-thirds of all the Parishes entitled to votes be represented; otherwise a vote of two-thirds shall be necessary.

**ARTICLE XII**

This Constitution or any part thereof may be altered in the following manner only: The proposed alteration or amendment shall be submitted in writing to the Annual Convention, and if approved by a majority of each Order, shall lie over to the next Annual Convention, and if then approved by a majority of each Order, the Constitution shall stand altered or amended as proposed.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Committee on Constitution and Canons

***Resolution B: The Budget of the Diocese of Bethlehem***

*Be it Resolved*, That the Assessment Rate applied to Line A, Normal Operating Income (NOI) of the 2016 Parochial Report shall be 12% in 2018

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

Submitted by Diocesan Council

**2018 Adopted Diocesan Budget**

<b>Operating Revenues</b>	
Assessment Income	902,019
Acceptance Income	100,227
DIT Income	265,952
Reserve Funds	50,000
Other Income	3,500
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b><u>1,321,698</u></b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	653,221
Mission, Ministry & Parish Life	364,671
Administrative	142,100
Buildings & Grounds	30,400
Retiree's Benefits & Support	57,306
Convention & Meeting Expense	74,000
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b><u>1,321,698</u></b>
<b>Excess of Revenues over Expenses</b>	<b><u>0</u></b>



***Resolution C: Regarding the 2018 Salary Schedule***

*Be it resolved*, that this convention recommends a 2.38% cost of living increase for clergy that the salary scale for clergy for 2018 be as follows:

Proposed 2018 Cash Stipend 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 this convention recommends consideration be made for additional merit increases based on performance, as resources allow.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Diocesan Council

***Resolution D: Revisions of the Canons***

BE IT RESOLVED: That the following Amendments to the Canons of the Diocese of Bethlehem be approved by this 146<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Diocese of Bethlehem, and be it further resolved, that these Amendments shall take effect the day after any affirmative vote of this 146<sup>th</sup> Convention.

1. Title I, Canon 1, Section 2.A (proposed lines 28 to 29) shall be amended as follows:

Parishes or Missions reporting 700 or more lay members in the Parochial Report shall have an additional delegate for each ~~200~~ **additional 199** lay members reported above 700.

2. Title I, Canon 4, Section 5 (proposed line 204) shall be amended as follows:

The Chancellor shall be the legal adviser ~~and chief law officer of~~ **to** the Bishop, the Diocese, the Diocesan Council, the Standing Committee, and all special committees appointed by the Convention, whenever they may require legal advice in questions affecting the interest of the Diocese.

3. Title II, Canon 3, Section 1.A.3 (proposed lines 280 to 285) shall be amended as follows:

At the Annual Meeting, a report of the Parish finances shall be given, ~~including~~. **This report shall include, but not be limited to: 1) a report of the finances of the preceding year; 2) reports of all assets and liabilities and all income and expenditures including of any subsidiary or related organization or entity, including (but not limited to) all trusts, endowments or other accounts, and 3) a budget for the year in which the Annual Meeting is held.**

4. Title II, Canon 3, Section 1.A.8 (proposed lines 306 to 315) shall be amended as follows:

No cleric or member of a cleric's family shall be eligible for election as a member of the Vestry. No employee of the Parish or member of the employee's family shall be eligible for election to Vestry. No more than one member of a family may serve on Vestry at the same time. A Parish may apply by letter to the Bishop for a **waiver of an amendment** to the provisions of this subsection, stating the specific provision **for which** it wishes to **amend a waiver** and the reasons for the **amendment waiver**. The Bishop shall provide a **written** response **by letter** to the Parish. If the Bishop approves the **waiver amendment**, the provisions of this subsection shall be considered **amended waived** to the extent **and for the period** that the Bishop has approved the **waiver amendment** as of the date of the **written response letter**.

5. Title II, Canon 3, Section 1.B.4 (proposed lines 350 to 351) shall be amended as follows:

Notice of such meeting shall be read publicly in church **during all regular worship services in the two calendar weeks** ~~at all services on two weekends~~ prior to the meeting. This notice shall specify the time and place of the meeting, the business to be considered, and by whose order the meeting is called.

6. Title II, Canon 3, Section 1.C.1(a) (proposed lines 368 to 370) shall be amended as follows:

In accordance with the Constitutions and Canons of The Episcopal Church and of this Diocese the Vestry shall govern the Parish and shall manage and be responsible for its property and material affairs; shall further the temporal and spiritual welfare of the Parish; provide a suitable place of worship and see that it is provided with all things necessary to the worship of Almighty God; shall select and call a Rector and provide for the remuneration of the Rector; and shall ~~present to each Annual Parish Meeting a report on its work during the year preceding and a budget for the next year~~ **comply with all other requirements of this Canon**.

7. Title II, Canon 3, Section 1.C.2(a) (proposed lines 394 to 399) shall be amended as follows:

The Lay Officers of a Parish shall consist of the Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Clerk and Treasurer who shall all be adult Lay Members in good standing of the Parish and at least 18 years of age. No cleric or family member of a cleric may serve as an Officer of the Parish. No employee of the Parish or member of such employee's family may serve as an Officer of the Parish. No family member of a Vestry member may serve as an Officer of the Parish. A Parish may apply by letter to the Bishop for a **waiver of an amendment** to the provisions of this subsection, stating the specific provision ~~it wishes to amend~~ **for which it seeks a waiver** and the reasons for the **waiver amendment**. The Bishop shall provide a **written** response **by letter** to the Parish. If the Bishop approves the **waiver amendment**, the provisions of this subsection shall be considered **waived amended** at to the extent **and for the period** that the Bishop has approved the amendment as of the date of the ~~letter~~ **written response**.

8. Title II, Canon 3, Section 1.C.2(g) (proposed lines 441 to 442) shall be amended to delete the following sentence:

This statement shall also be presented at the Annual Parish Meeting before the election of officers.

9. Title II, Canon 4, Section 3 (proposed lines 525 to 529) shall be amended in the following manner:

No mortgage, judgment, **voluntary** lien, or indebtedness shall be incurred by any Congregation of this Diocese without the consent and approval of the Bishop Diocesan, if there be one, and the Standing Committee. **If any Congregation learns that it is subject to an involuntary lien or judgment, the Rector and/or Senior Warden shall promptly notify the Ecclesiastical Authority.**

10. Title IV, Canon 3, shall be amended to add the following as Section 6 (proposed lines 1047 to 1048):

The Deputies shall elect from within their number representatives to the Province III Synod.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Committee on Constitution and Canons

### ***Resolutions of Courtesy***

Be it, and it is hereby, resolved by this 146<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Diocese of Bethlehem, properly convened September 29<sup>th</sup> (being the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels) and 30<sup>th</sup> in the year of our Lord 2017 at the Carbondale Grand Hotel and Conference Center, Carbondale, Pennsylvania, that our gratitude and appreciation for the ministries of the following is acknowledged and celebrated:

**Carbondale Grand Hotel and Conference Center Staff** – Your ministry of hospitality in ensuring the success of this Convention is noted, with our deepest appreciation and thanks. We cannot begin to enumerate the myriad of details with which you have been tasked, but please know that your labors have enabled this Convention to be the success that we all envisioned.

**The ministers, both clergy and laity, of the Churches in the northeastern portion of our Diocese** – Your attention to the most finite of details required to successfully host a group as large as this Diocesan Convention is admirable and noted. You have labored hard and the hours were likely tiring. The success of this Convention is proof of the fruit of those labors. Honoring the work of everyone, we offer our special thanks to Trinity Church, Carbondale, for hosting this Convention's Eucharist.

**The Episcopal Diocese of Northwestern Pennsylvania** – While geographically separated from us by the Episcopal Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, you and we have spanned that distance to collaborate on ever so many ministries. These types of collaborations, including the sharing of a Bishop, have served, and will continue to serve, as examples to the Church-at-large. While the Diocese of Bethlehem is now embarking on the process of calling a new Bishop, the relationships forged over the past several years will ensure our continued collaborations in the years to come! May our joint examples serve as models for other Dioceses and Provinces in the years to come.



**The Rev. Canon Scott Slater –**

*Faith minus vulnerability and mystery equals extremism.  
If you've got all the answers,  
then don't call what you do 'faith'. – Brené Brown*

Canon Slater has previously blessed the clergy of the Diocese of Bethlehem at two Clergy Conferences held during 2016. The blessing of his presence among us, and the sharing of his insight, has now been extended to the greater Diocese. One of the emphases of Canon Slater's presentation yesterday was that of "striving". He is one well-versed in not only striving, but also "striding"!

Five years ago, Canon Slater partook in the ancient Anglican tradition of "Beating of the Bounds"; a tradition continued in many English and Welsh parishes. However, being the Canon to the Ordinary, the bounds he beat were not those of a single parish but, rather, the bounds of the entire Episcopal Diocese of Maryland. What a wonderful way to become familiar with the area for which he shares responsibility. Following upon Canon Slater's example, we well-traveled pilgrims may want to beat the bounds of our own parishes during the Ascension Ember Days of 2018. Canon Slater's penchant for becoming familiar, however, is not limited to familiarity with geography. His insightfulness extends to a natural curiosity and embracing of all of God's Kids. He revels in connectedness and collaboration.

Canon Slater, we are in your debt not only for sharing your knowledge and the results of your studies with us but, to a far greater degree, for your openness to embracing the people of this Diocese as well as those of the Diocese of Maryland.



**Cindy Dougan**

*Four Laws of Accounting:*

1. *Trial balances don't.*
2. *Bank reconciliations never do.*
3. *Working capital does not.*
4. *Return on investments never will.*  
*(Business Insider)*

Examples of sharing between the Dioceses of Northwestern Pennsylvania and Bethlehem abound! There is, of course, the fine example of Bishop Sean and Carly. However, there are also numerous examples of sharing and collaboration less well-known in general, but absolutely critical when it comes to "getting the work done".

Among the fine examples of those types of collaboration and sharing, none shines brighter than that of our Interim Comptroller, Cindy Dougan! She has labored long and hard, well out of the limelight, to ensure the adequacy of our accounting practices and working with outside consultants to complete many years of Diocesan Audits. It may seem somewhat odd to proclaim that we are in her debt, but in her debt, we are, indeed!

A long time ago, and in a galaxy near rather than far, many of us would likely have proclaimed that “personable accountant” was the ultimate of oxymorons. And yet, while she possesses excellent accounting skills, Cindy has also unfailingly proven herself to be most personable. It is likely that Cindy will continue in her present position as Interim Comptroller for a number of months yet to come. However, this is likely her last Diocesan Convention with us.

Cindy, it would have been an injustice for this Convention not to have recognized you. So, it is our joy to say thank you! Thank you for your tireless efforts, the fruits of which will wonderfully serve this Diocese for many years to come. Most of all, however, our gratitude to you is simply for your willingness to be exactly the person that God has created you to be!

Thank you, Cindy!



**Mr. Dan Charney** –

*No person was ever honored for what he received.  
He was honored for what he gave. – Calvin Coolidge*

For more than eighteen years, Dan Charney, and his late wife, Jan, have given tirelessly in their work within and for the Diocese. Dan has spent those many years laboring as Missioner for Stewardship. Many of those gathered here today have likely had the opportunity to hear Dan’s presentations, and lively presentations they have indeed been!

While some connect Stewardship with a campaign to raise funds, Dan never saw the issue with those blinders on. Dan understands, and lives, the adage about giving of time and talent as well as treasure and never failed to include all three of those prongs in each presentation. Not only did he speak of them, he has continued to live those roles, laboring countless hours and sharing his myriad of talents with God’s people.

Dan, we thank you for your years of tireless labors on behalf of the kingdom! Know that we do indeed honor you for that which you’ve given!



**The Venerable Richard I. Cluett** –

*I have devoted my energies to the study of the scriptures, observing monastic discipline, and singing the daily services in church; study, teaching, and writing have always been my delight. – The Venerable Bede (672-735)*

Our Archdeacon is another who has earned that title of “The Venerable”. Not at all unlike Bede, he too has been given to study, teaching, and writing. Although fully deserving of the title “The Venerable”, he is known to all of us simply as “Rick”. There is no title nor surname needed. Simply mention “Rick” to anyone in this Diocese and the connection to the Archdeacon is immediate.

Called from parish ministry to serve as Archdeacon to The Rt. Rev. J. Mark Dyer, Bp. Mark and Rick worked side-by-side to forever change the complexion of the Diocese of Bethlehem. Continuing in the office of Archdeacon for twenty years, he retired (for the first time). What a retirement it was to be! In his retirement, Rick served as chaplain to retired clergy and their families; as the Bishop's representative for world missions; and then as Interim Dean at the Cathedral Church of the Nativity. In 2008, Rick was called to serve as the representative of Presiding Bishop Katherine Jefferts Shori as Pastoral Assistant to Dioceses in the midst of reorganizations, a position which he held for two years. In 2014, Rick was called back to his position as Archdeacon for the Diocese of Bethlehem, albeit on a somewhat supposedly reduced schedule. Many of us question whether Rick has ever truly grasped the concept of a reduced workload. And now, Rick is supposedly retiring yet one more time. On what shall he spend his newly found time? Our bet is that you'll find him engaged in "study, teaching and writing" in the grand tradition of those honored by the title "The Venerable".

We are indebted in ever so many ways for Rick's foresight and perseverance in laboring mightily for the creation of the truly welcoming and loving community this Diocese has become. Rick, we are indeed in your debt and wish you nothing but the best in whatever role He next brings your way. We know in our hearts that you will stand ready and willing to fulfill that next role!



**The Rt. Rev. Sean W. Rowe** –

*Q. What is the ministry of a bishop?*

*A. The ministry of a bishop is to represent Christ and his Church, particularly as apostle, chief priest, and pastor of a diocese; to guard the faith, unity, and discipline of the whole Church; to proclaim the Word of God;*

*to act in Christ's name for the reconciliation of the world and the building up of the Church; and to ordain others to continue Christ's ministry. (BCP, pg. 855)*

Consecrated bishop in the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church in September of 2007, Bishop Sean Rowe began his ministry as 8<sup>th</sup> Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Northwestern Pennsylvania. Only 32 years old at the time of his election, Bishop Sean became the youngest member of the House of Bishops of The Episcopal Church. Fewer than seven years later, his role was enlarged when he also accepted the position as Bishop Provisional for the Diocese of Bethlehem. For more than three years, Bishop Sean has served as Bishop of Northwestern Pennsylvania as well as Bishop Provisional of the Diocese of Bethlehem. The toll of holding both positions concurrently must have introduced considerable stress on him and his family. The measure of that stress will only truly be known by Bishop Sean, Carly, and their family.

Bishop Sean has proven himself to be most adroit at, and capable of, filling the roles of "apostle, chief priest and pastor" of not one, but two, Dioceses. His introduction to us came during a period when many in this Diocese were suffering greatly. Therefore, while accepted, he was also met with at least a modicum of skepticism. Early in his ministry with us, Bishop Sean was asked by a group whether we could trust him. His response is burned into the memory of many when he simply and honestly replied, "You don't know". We truly didn't know... he knew that well, and we at least felt it. Over the past three years, we have found that it is indeed easy to trust Bishop Sean.

More than an administrator, Bishop Sean has walked among us as a pastor. He has tenderly ministered to the portion of the flock entrusted to him by our Chief Shepherd. Healing has occurred, and hope has again risen in ever so many. He has indeed become our friend, and has welcomed us to feel his friendship. In the words of John, the Evangelist:

*Greater love has no one than this,  
than to lay down his life for his friends. (John 15:13, NKJV)*

Bishop Sean and his family have, in ever so many ways, laid down their lives for us. Bishop Sean, Carly, we have acknowledged our debt to others this day. It is to you and your family that we owe the greatest debt of gratitude. Although it feels grossly inadequate, Thank You!

This Resolution was adopted by raucous acclamation on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September 2017 by the 146<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Diocese of Bethlehem. The Secretary of this Convention is directed to deliver signed copies of these resolutions to each of those remembered this day.

## **REPORTS OF ELECTED COMMITTEES**

### ***Board of Discipline***

The Board of Discipline had no actions in 2017 and did not meet.

### ***Episcopal Church Women (ECW)***

This year the ECW fund raising project for parishes to participate in prior to convention, was to raise money for Kajo Keji our partner Diocese in South Sudan. They have taken refuge in Uganda. Thanks to all of you for your support. Our project for 2018 will be Clare of Assisi House in Reading, PA.

All checks being sent to ECW should be made out to Diocese of Bethlehem and sent to Cynthia Bakos. Designation for disbursement of money should be written in the memo line.

Very Rev. Anthony Pompa, Dean of the Cathedral, will be our presenter for 2018. Ingrid Prater is our new ECW secretary and Jean Carson our Book of Remembrance. Beblon Parks was elected President of ECW Province III. A big thanks to Carol Cottrell and Edith Otway for their many years of service.

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Dorothy Shaw  
President

## ***Commission on Ministry Report to Diocesan Convention***

September 19, 2017

At the 145<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Diocese of Bethlehem in October of 2017, a change in the diocesan canons resulted in a re-configuration of the Commission on Ministry. The COM was reconstituted to include 6 members elected by convention with staggered three-year terms and 6 members appointed by the bishop.

In the past year, the COM has met regularly once a month. During those meetings, the COM interviewed:

- 2 new applicants in the ordination process
- 2 people for postulancy
- 2 people for candidacy
- 1 person for further discernment

In addition to regular meetings, the commission

- established, trained, and monitored 3 regional discernment groups (RDGs)
- developed a new manual for the RDG process
- held a one-day spiritual practices retreat for COM members and people in the ordination process
- trained current membership on the ordination process and responsibilities of COM
- established task groups on: retreat planning/spiritual formation, ordination process development, support of lay ministry, and the regional discernment process

Upcoming goals for the commission include: reviewing, revising and clarifying the discernment and ordination paths for diaconal and priestly vocations, establishing a schedule for regular COM interview dates for persons entering and in the process, working with Canon to the Ordinary Anne Kitch in determining ways to inform clergy and vestries of the process for discernment and the path to ordination, and developing ongoing retreats and instructions for discernment and spiritual formation for persons considering a call to lay or ordained ministry.

A COM Discernment Retreat for members and persons experiencing a call to lay or ordained ministry will be held at St. Joseph's Retreat Center in Bethlehem on October 27 -28, 2017.

Submitted by The Rev. Dr. Jane Williams, Chair





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***New Hope Activity Report***  
**Prepared by Stephen Tomor Kenyi**

**Report Date:** 14<sup>th</sup> September 2017

**Report to:** Charlie Barebo.  
CC Rick Cluett

**Subject:** **New Hope Schools in the refugee camps in Uganda.**

After we completed the construction of temporary classroom structures for the first two New Hope schools in the refugee camps, construction activities slowed down as we waited for the transfer of funds for the next two schools – Holy Trinity School and Richard Earl High School. The current report covers the period 15<sup>th</sup> July through 14<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

Now the needed funds for the next two New Hope Schools have been received. These funds will be used for basic text books, chalk, chalkboards and construction materials for temporary classroom structures.

The needed text books, chalk, chalkboards and carpets for roofs have been purchased from Kampala and will be delivered to the schools within this week. Each school committee will now embark on the purchase of local materials and then start construction of temporary classroom structures. Funds for the purchase of local materials have been advanced.

We visited the schools on the second day after the second term holiday. In many instances, schools have a slow start in the beginning of a term. We are encouraging schools to devise a system where children can report for classes on the first day of opening for a term.

Kajo Keji Christian College (KCC) has been on session since they opened on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2017. Currently, there are 40 students in the college from six dioceses as follows:

- 2 students from Diocese of Terekeka,
- 1 student from Diocese of Wonduruba,
- 5 students from Diocese of Ayod
- 4 from Area Diocese of Liwolo,
- 2 students from Diocese of Cueibet and
- 26 students from the Diocese of Kajo Keji (Few of these students are sponsored).

The current programs that are being run are certificate in primary teacher education (in-service); Certificate in Theology and Diploma in Theology.

The college is entirely relying on donations from friends and student sponsorship (it costs US \$ 450 per student per semester). The land from which they used to raise food is now no more; the college pickup which used to help them in collecting firewood and hire by others is now grounded and the grinding mill was left in Kajo Keji during the move and is now lost.

**Report in pictures.  
Barebo School, Morobi Zone II.**



A good number of pupils have not reported in the second day. Teachers were found busy giving out report forms and marked scripts to those pupils who have reported.

**Holy Trinity School, Kaguru.**



A pastor and a teacher confirming the advance for local purchases. The pupils are checking their marked scripts and getting reports for last term. A P4 pupil was found carrying drinking water for her colleagues.

**Star of Bethlehem School, Pasu.**



The star of Bethlehem School is the most affected in terms of numbers of pupils who have reported. Irrespective of the few numbers, some of the teachers are teaching the few who have reported which is a good thing.

**Kajo Keji Christian College.**



At the time of taking photos, a student was found sharing during devotions (as part of their training). Colleagues and teaching staff were in attendance. The last photo was taken when some of the teaching and administration staff were meeting with students. This is a time when students can raise their



issues of any.

## ***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.”

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). This past year two members resigned from the committee: The Rev. Canon Andrew Gerns and Ms. Kate Fanning. Since this was the last year of both their terms, and with the possibility of the new Constitution amendments being passed, neither vacancy was filled. The current Committee Members are: President, The Rev. J. Douglas Moyer; Vice President, The Rev. James Reinhart; Secretary, Ms. Liza Holzinger; Mr. Raymond Arcario, The Rev. Jane Bender, Ms. Lynn Graham, Ms. Carol McMullen, , The Rev. Earl Trygar.

Meetings: The Standing Committee met on the following dates - October 10, 2016; November 21, 2016; January 4, 2017; February 7, 2017; March 21, 2017; April 24, 2017; and August 28, 2017.

Consents:

- Consented to the election of the Very Rev. Dr. DeDe Duncan-Probe as Bishop of the Diocese of Central New York
- Consented to the election of the Rev. Carl Walter Wright as Bishop Suffragan for Armed Forces and Federal Ministries
- Consented to the election of the Very Rev. Canon Gretchen Mary Rehberg as Bishop of the Diocese of Spokane
- Consented to the election of the Rev. Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows as Bishop of the Diocese of Indianapolis
- Consented to the election of the Rev. Canon Rafael L. Morales as Bishop of the Diocese of Puerto Rico
- Consented to the election of the Rev. Canon John Harvey Taylor as Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Los Angeles
- Consented to the election of the Rt. Rev. David C. Rice as Bishop of the Diocese of San Joaquin
- Consented to the election of the Rev. Jennifer Brooke-Davidson as Bishop Suffragan of the Diocese of West Texas
- Consented to the election of the Rev. Samuel S. Rodman, III as Bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina

#### Ordination Process:

- Recommended to the Bishop that he grant candidacy to Ms. Michele Causton
- Recommended to the Bishop that he grant candidacy to Ms. Margaret Pendergast.

#### Property:

- With the Bishop, approved the sale of the Parish House of Trinity, Pottsville.

#### Transition:

- The Standing Committee selected Judith Stark as our consultant in the selection process for the IX Bishop of the Diocese of Bethlehem.
- A timeline for the election and consecration of the IX Bishop of Bethlehem was established.
- A Search Committee was formed to begin the process for selecting our next Bishop.
- A consulting firm was engaged to outsource some of our Diocesan communications.
- The Rev. Canon Anne Kitch was appointed Canon to the Ordinary.
- The Standing Committee and the Bishop agreed to the continuation of the Provisional Bishop Agreement that went into effect in 2014.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rev. J. Douglas Moyer, President

### ***Stewardship Commission***

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 third of the parishes each year.

*Stewardship Reflections* continues – the three-year cycle is available on the web-site (see below.) They are useful in worship bulletins, newsletters, e-mail communications, etc.

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.

Commission members continued to deepen our own understanding of Stewardship and strengthen our group process. We work, worship and eat meals together. We review available materials and develop our own, and we share our excitement, challenges and disappointments.

**Plans for 2017 include:**

- ✠ We will not have a Diocesan Stewardship workshop this year but will instead concentrate our effort in regional meetings with parishes on various topics associated with year-round stewardship.
- ✠ Offering Parishes resources in the area of personal finances – especially Nathan Dungan’s “Share-Save-Spend” and “Financial Sanity” programs.
- ✠ Supporting parishes using the Consecration Sunday model for annual giving. And continuing to work on creating a “manageable” program for small parishes.
- ✠ Continuing to review Stewardship resources, publicize outstanding material, and provide same to parishes and clergy as our budget allows. (We regularly give parish Rectors, Stewardship Chairs and participants in our workshops materials and books.)

**List of Leadership for this Ministry**

- The Rev. Jim Rinehart, (Retired but active in the diocese) - Commission Chair
- Connie Archer, St. Anne’s, Trexlertown
- Susan Boskett, St. Andrews, Allentown
- Helen Forshaw, Trinity, Easton
- Nancy Rinehart
- Betsi Strasser, Cathedral Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem

Dan Charney, Diocesan Staff – Stewardship Missioner

**PARISHES OF THE DIOCESE OF BETHLEHEM**

**October 2017**

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

<u>Name</u>		<u>Year Established</u>
<b>All Saints Episcopal Church</b> 301 N. Second St., Lehigh, PA 18235 <b>Priest in Charge</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	610-377-2675  The Rev. Rebecca Parsons-Cancelliere Cheryl Ann Ault	1907
<b>Calvary Episcopal Church</b> 300 W Board St, Tamaqua, PA 18252 <b>Supply Clergy</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	610-377-0845  The Rev. Robert Gildersleeve Suzanne Shapcott	1849

<b>Cathedral Church of the Nativity</b> 321 Wyandotte St, Bethlehem, PA 18015	610-865-0727	1863
<b>Dean</b>	The Very Rev. Anthony Pompa	
<b>Assisting Priest</b>	The Rev. Canon Michelle Moyer	
<b>Deacons</b>	The Rev. Rodney Conn The Rev. Charlie Barebo	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Richard Sause	
<b>Christ Church - Indian Orchard</b> 1005 Texas/Palmyra Highway Honesdale, PA 18431	570-253-3144	1917
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Amy Dunn	
<b>Christ Episcopal Church</b> 1107 W Main St, Susquehanna, PA 18847	570-853-9003	1898
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Todd Moffett, Esq	
<b>Christ Episcopal Church</b> 1 Main St, Towanda, PA 18848	570-265-5035	1844
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. Canon Maureen Hipple	
<b>Deacon</b>	The Rev. J Lawrence Holman	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Marshall Dawsey	
<b>Christ Episcopal Church</b> 700 Delaware St, Forest City, PA 18421	570-785-3425	1912
<b>Priest in Charge</b>	The Rev. William McGinty	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Jack Demark	
<b>Christ Episcopal Church</b> 435 Court St, Reading, PA 19603	610-374-8269	1824
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. Canon John Francis	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Wayne Fanning	
<b>Christ Episcopal Church</b> 205 N 7th St, Stroudsburg, PA 18360	570-421-7481	1887
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. J. Douglas Moyer	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Cheryl McPherson	
<b>Church of the Epiphany</b> 25 Church Hill Rd, Clarks Summit, PA 18414	570-563-1564	1913
<b>Interim Priest</b>	The Rev. F. Graham Cliff	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Linda Rogers	
<b>Church of the Good Shepherd &amp; St John</b> 110 W Catharine St, Milford, PA 18337	570-296-8123	1860
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. Van Bankston	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Molly Flewharty	
<b>Church of the Good Shepherd</b>	570-347-1760	1871

1780 N Washington Ave, Scranton, PA 18509 <b>Priest-in-Charge</b> <b>Deacon</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	The Venerable Howard Stringfellow III The Rev. John Davis Warren Shotto	
<b>Church of the Mediator</b> 1620 W Turner, Allentown, PA 18102 <b>Rector</b> <b>Missioner</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	610-434-0155  The Rev. Canon Maria Tjeltveit The Rev. Twila Smith Denise Shaffer	1866
<b>Church of the Redeemer</b> 201 S Wilbur Ave, Sayre, PA 18840 <b>Priest in Charge</b> <b>Associate Priest</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	570-888-2270  The Rev. Melinda Artman The Rev. Hazel Hunt Gretchen Rentschler	1877
<b>Grace Episcopal Church</b> 827 Church St, Honesdale, PA 18431 <b>Rector</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	570-253-2760  The Rev. Edward Erb John Sullivan	1833
<b>Grace Episcopal Church</b> 30 Butler St, Kingston, PA 18704 <b>Rector</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	570-287-8440  The Rev. John Hartman Sara McNelis	1913
<b>Grace Episcopal Church</b> 108 N 5th St, Allentown, PA 18102 <b>Priest-in-Charge</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	610-435-0782  The Rev. Twila Smith Joe Cousart	1859
<b>Holy Cross Episcopal Church</b> 373 N Main St, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702 <b>Rector</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	570-823-4436  The Rev. Timothy Alleman William Falzone	1916
<b>North Parish Holy Apostles Church</b> 307 E Hancock St, St. Clair, PA 17970	570-429-7107	1848
<b>North Parish Memorial Church of St John</b> Market Street at 13th, Ashland, PA 17921 <b>Supply Clergy</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	  The Rev. James C. Smith Bonnie Baker	1857
<b>Prince of Peace</b> 420 Main St, Dallas, PA 18612 <b>Priest-In-Charge</b> <b>Deacon</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	570-675-1723  The Rev. Joseph Rafferty The Rev. Christine Sutton John Hudak	1930

<b>St. Alban's Episcopal Church</b> 2848 St Albans Drive, Sinking Spring, PA 19608	610-678-7001	1963
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. Dennis Reid	
<b>Associate Priest</b>	The Rev. Nancy Packard	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	William Reid	
<b>St. Andrew's Church - Alden Station</b> 12 E Kirmar Ave, Nanticoke, PA 18634	570-735-3295	1900
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Susan Maza	
<b>St. Andrew's Episcopal Church</b> 1900 E Pennsylvania Ave, Allentown, PA 18109	610-865-3603	1955
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. T. Scott Allen	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Cindy Shipman	
<b>St. Anne's Episcopal Church</b> 6667 Lower Macungie Rd Trexlertown, PA 18087	610-398-3321	1967
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. Donald Schaible	
<b>Assisting Priest</b>	The Rev. Judith Snyder	
<b>Deacon</b>	The Rev. Bernice Reichard	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Paul Persico	
<b>St. Barnabas Episcopal Church</b> 234 W Main St, Kutztown, PA 19530	610-683-7787	1958
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Charles Brown	
<b>St. Brigid's Episcopal Church</b> 310 Madison Ave, Nazareth, PA 18064	610-746-3910	1996
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. William Martin	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Tony Bernardo	
<b>St. Clement &amp; St. Peter's Church</b> 165 Hanover St, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702	570-822-8043	1870
<b>Supply Clergy</b>	The Rev. Charles C. Warwick	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Thomas Jamieson	
<b>St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church</b> 1188 Ben Franklin Hwy E, Douglassville, PA 19518	610-385-3144	1785
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. David Green	
<b>Deacon</b>	The Rev. Sally Bosler	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Stephen Fairbrother	
<b>St. George's Episcopal Church</b> 735 Delaware Ave, Hellertown, PA 18055	610-838-9355	1909
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. Jonathan Mayo	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Cheryl Glasker	
<b>St. James and St. George</b>	570-876-4896	1918



398 Washington Ave, Jermyn, PA 18433 <b>Senior Warden</b>	Ron Fowler	
<b>St. James' Church (Summer Chapel)</b> 2050 SR 247 Clifford Twp, Dundaff, PA 18407		1860
<b>St. James' Episcopal Church</b> 100 Dock Street, Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972 <b>Supply Priest</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	570-385-0737 The Rev. Jeffrey Funk William Hanson	1839
<b>St. James' Episcopal Church</b> 2161 Main St, Drifton, PA 18221 <b>Priest-in-Charge</b> <b>Deacon</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	570-636-3967 The Rev. Elizabeth Haynes The Rev. Beverly Meneeley Ida Horne	1885
<b>St. John's Episcopal Church</b> 365 Lafayette Ave, Palmerton, PA 18071 <b>Supply Priest</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	610-826-2611 The Rev. Canon Lexa Shallcross Laurie L. Newman-Mankos	1915
<b>St. John's Episcopal Church</b> 564 Easton Turnpike, Hamlin, PA 18427 <b>Priest-in-Charge</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	570-689-9260 The Rev. Dr. Ronald Miller Michael Nigro	1845
<b>St. Joseph's Episcopal Church</b> 1440 Verona Ave., Pen Argyl, PA 18072 <b>Priest in Charge</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	610-759-0973 The Rev. Canon Joel Atkinson Loretta Santo	1920
<b>St. Luke's Episcopal Church</b> 232 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, PA 18503 <b>Priest-in-Charge</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	570-342-7654 The Rev. Rebecca Barnes David Wegner	1853
<b>St. Luke's Episcopal Church</b> 22 S 6th St, Lebanon, PA 17042 <b>Priest-in-Charge</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	717-272-8251 The Rev. Dr. David A. Zwifka Elizabeth Yocum	1859
<b>St. Margaret's Episcopal Church</b> 150 Elm St., Emmaus, PA 18049 <b>Supply Clergy</b> <b>Senior Warden</b>	610-967-1450 The Rev. Jane Bender Carla Holdridge	1908
<b>St. Mark's and St. John's</b> 21 Race St, Jim Thorpe, PA 18229 <b>Rector</b> <b>Assistant Priest</b>	570-325-2241 The Rev. John Wagner The Rev. Rebecca Parsons-Cancelliere	1836

<b>Senior Warden</b>	William Diehm	
<b>St. Mark's Episcopal Church</b> 1109 Church St, Moscow, PA 18444	570-842-7231	1923
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. Earl Trygar, Sr	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Aaron Pickarski	
<b>St. Mark's Episcopal Church</b> 1148 Main St, New Milford, PA 18834	570-465-3896	1817
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Joan Flint	
<b>St. Martin-In-The-Fields</b> 3085 Church Rd, Mountain Top, PA 18707	570-868-5358	1957
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. Daniel Fitzsimmons	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Don Herres	
<b>St. Mary's Episcopal Church</b> 100 West Windsor St, Reading, PA 19612	610-374-7914	1912
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Chris Rickert	
<b>St. Mary's Episcopal Church</b> 340 N. Lehigh Ave, Wind Gap, PA 18091	610-863-8007	1915
<b>Supply Clergy</b>	The Rev. Canon Joel Atkinson	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Charles Henry	
<b>St. Paul's Episcopal Church</b> 130 Elmira St, Troy, PA 16947	570-297-4864	1845
<b>Priest-in-Charge</b>	The Rev. Han van den Blink	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Lyn Ryan	
<b>St. Paul's Episcopal Church</b> 276 Church St, Montrose, PA 18801	570-278-2954	1832
<b>Priest in Charge</b>	The Rev. Lou Divis	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Lynne Graham	
<b>St. Peter's Episcopal Church</b> 3832 Route 6, Tunkhannock, PA 18657	570-836-2233	1872
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. M Lou Divis	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	David Martin	
<b>St. Peter's Episcopal Church</b> 46 S Laurel St, Hazleton, PA 18222	570-454-6543	1866
<b>Deacon</b>	The Rev. Marion Meiss	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	George Roskos	
<b>St. Stephen's Episcopal Church</b> 3900 Mechanicsville Rd, Whitehall, PA 18052	610-435-3901	1904
<b>Vicar</b>	The Rev. Jonathan Mayo	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Linda Hardy	
<b>St. Stephen's Pro Cathedral</b>	570-825-6653	1821

35 S Franklin St, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701		
<b>Priest-in-Charge</b>	The Rev. Brian Pavlac	
<b>Assisting Priest</b>	The Rev. William Marshall, Jr	
	The Rev. Charles Warwick	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Wayne Harley	
<b>St. Thomas Episcopal Church</b>	610-286-9547	1740
6251 Morgantown Rd, Morgantown, PA 19543		
<b>Priest-in-Charge</b>	The Rev. Megan Dembi	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Sally Stalnaker	
<b>Trinity Episcopal Church</b>	570-888-5715	1864
701 South Main St, Athens, PA 18810		
<b>Supply Clergy</b>	The Rev. Benjamin Lentz	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Daniel Gerhart	
<b>Trinity Episcopal Church</b>	610-867-4741	1863
44 E Market St, Bethlehem, PA 18018		
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. Canon Laura Howell	
<b>Assisting Priest</b>	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	
<b>Deacon</b>	Christine Martocchio	
<b>Senior Warden</b>		
<b>Trinity Episcopal Church</b>	570-282-3620	1845
58 River Street, Carbondale, PA 18407		
<b>Priest in Charge</b>	The Rev. William McGinty	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Bonnie Bay	
<b>Trinity Episcopal Church</b>	570-622-8720	1836
200 S 2nd St, Pottsville, PA 17901		
<b>Supply Priest</b>	The Rev. Timothy Albright	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Norman Kauffman	
<b>Trinity Episcopal Church</b>	570-654-3261	1885
220 Montgomery Ave, West Pittston, PA 18643		
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. John Major	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Hugh Kelly	
<b>Trinity Episcopal Church</b>	570-839-9376	1961
137 Trinity Hill Rd, Mt. Pocono, PA 18344		
<b>Priest-in-Charge</b>	The Rev. Susan M. Treanor	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Peter Gonze	
<b>Trinity Episcopal Church</b>	610-253-0792	1819
234 Spring Garden St, Easton, PA 18042		
<b>Rector</b>	The Rev. Canon Andrew Gerns	
<b>Assisting Priest</b>	The Rev. Raymond Harbort	
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Gretchen Reed	

## CHAPELS IN INSTITUTIONS

ALLENTOWN, Episcopal House

BETHLEHEM, Diocesan House

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

SLATE BELT, Episcopal Apartments

## 2017 STATEMENT OF OPERATING REVENUES & EXPENSES

(Unaudited)

December 31, 2017

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
<b>Operating Revenues</b>		
Assessment Income	997,848	931,612
Acceptance Income	102,385	103,511
DIT Distributions	257,435	268,062
Other Income	5,323	4,500
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b><u>1,362,991</u></b>	<b><u>1,307,685</u></b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Salaries & Benefits	593,655	669,720
Ministry, Mission & Parish Life	311,298	348,885
Administrative	139,009	137,640
Buildings & Grounds	23,989	33,000
Retiree's Benefits & Support	94,572	96,940
Convention & Meeting Expenses	11,429	21,500
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b><u>1,173,952</u></b>	<b><u>1,307,685</u></b>
<b>Excess of Revenues over Expenses</b>	<b>189,039</b>	<b>0</b>

## 2017 ASSESSMENT RECEIPTS (Unaudited)

Church	YTD Receipts	Assessment
Alden - St. Andrew	2,868	2,865
Allentown - Grace	10,044	10,040
Allentown - Mediator	49,379	49,379
Ashland - North Parish	6,902	6,902
Athens - Trinity	7,752	7,749
Bethlehem - Nativity	94,688	94,691
Bethlehem - St. Andrew	18,805	18,805
Bethlehem - Trinity	46,764	46,762
Carbondale - Trinity	7,896	7,890
Dallas - Prince of Peace	11,832	11,837
Douglassville - St. Gabriel	40,201	40,201
Drifton - St. James	3,781	3,781
Dundaff - St. James	696	696
Easton - Trinity	44,151	44,151
Emmaus - St. Margaret	6,702	6,702
Forest City - Christ	6,540	6,538
Glenburn - Epiphany	28,455	28,455
Hamlin - St. John	9,996	9,998
Hazelton - St. Peter	11,820	11,823
Hellertown - St. George	12,380	12,380
Honesdale - Grace	0	11,023
Indian Orchard - Christ	660	657
Jermyn - St. James	3,240	3,240
Jim Thorpe - Sts. Mark & John	32,973	32,973
Kingston - Grace	22,178	22,178
Kutztown - St. Barnabas	2,472	2,471
Lebanon - St. Luke	35,988	35,985
Lehighton - All Saints	15,407	15,402
Milford - Good Shepherd	17,460	17,462
Montrose - St. Paul	18,000	17,999
Morgantown - St. Thomas	7,968	7,964
Moscow - St. Mark	7,308	7,306
Mountain Top - St. Martin	5,064	5,062
Mount Pocono - Trinity	20,192	20,192
Nazareth - St. Brigid	12,264	12,263
New Milford - St. Mark	652	3,910
Palmerton - St. John	12,928	12,928
Pen Argyl - St. Joseph	0	1
Pottsville - Trinity	30,447	30,447

Reading - Christ	52,963	52,910
Reading - St. Mary	5,052	5,055
Sayre - Redeemer	24,603	24,603
Schuylkill Haven - St. James	3,205	3,205
Scranton - Good Shepherd	8,184	8,183
Scranton - St. Luke	28,044	28,039
Sinking Spring - St. Alban	32,333	32,333
Stroudsburg - Christ	23,748	23,748
Susquehanna - Christ	3,020	3,624
Tamaqua - Calvary	1,992	1,994
Towanda - Christ	14,520	14,525
Trexlerstown - St. Anne	42,914	42,914
Troy - St. Paul	4,320	4,318
Tunkhannock - St. Peter	9,454	9,454
West Pittston - Trinity	6,759	9,038
Whitehall - St. Stephen	7,600	12,000
Wilkes-Barre - Holy Cross	7,956	7,961
Wilkes-Barre - St. Clement	8,316	8,313
Wilkes-Barre - St. Stephen	43,176	43,174
Wind Gap - St. Mary	2,835	2,835
	997,848	1,019,334

## 2017 ACCEPTANCE RECEIPTS (Unaudited)

Church	YTD Receipts	Acceptance
Allentown - Grace	100	2,510
Allentown - Mediator	6,173	6,173
Ashland - North Parish	1,500	1,500
Athens - Trinity	1,932	1,937
Bethlehem - Nativity	15,784	15,782
Bethlehem - St. Andrew	1,800	1,800
Bethlehem - Trinity	11,688	11,691
Carbondale - Trinity	820	1,973
Drifton - St. James	947	945
Dundaff - St. James	174	174

Emmaus - St. Margaret	559	559
Forest City - Christ	1,632	1,634
Glenburn - Epiphany	4,624	4,268
Hazeltown - St. Peter	1,200	1,200
Hellertown - St. George	100	100
Indian Orchard - Christ	168	164
Jermyn - St. James	810	1,620
Jim Thorpe - Sts. Mark & John	0	2,400
Kingston - Grace	1,200	1,200
Kutztown - St. Barnabas	624	618
Lebanon - St. Luke	2,000	2,000
Leighton - All Saints	1,200	1,200
Milford-Good Shepherd	0	4,365
Montrose - St. Paul	4,500	4,500
Morgantown - St. Thomas	1,000	1,000
Moscow - St. Mark	1,824	1,826
Mountain Top - St. Martin	1,265	1,265
Nazareth - St. Brigid	3,072	3,066
New Milford - St. Mark	54	978
Palmerton - St. John	3,232	3,232
Pen Argyl-St. Joseph's	0	694
Pottsville - Trinity	3,000	2,500
Reading - Christ	13,224	13,227
Schuylkill Haven - St. James	807	801
Scranton - St. Luke	2,400	2,400
Sinking Spring - St. Alban	987	987
Stroudsburg - Christ	1,979	1,979
Susquehanna - Christ	760	912
Tamaqua - Calvary	503	499
Towanda - Christ	600	600
Troy - St. Paul	1,080	1,079
West Pittston - Trinity	198	264
Whitehall - ST. Stephen	0	100
Wilkes-Barre - Holy Cross	6,765	1,990
Wind Gap - St. Mary	100	100
	<b>102,385</b>	<b>109,812</b>

## 2016 VITAL STATISTICS OF CONGREGATIONS

Name	City	Members Last Year	Members This Year	Communicants	Communicants Under 16	Sunday Attendance	Easter Attendance	Sat & Sun Eucharists	Weekday Eucharists	Private Eucharists
Mediator	Allentown	220	220	151	23	87	167	92	50	50
Grace	Allentown	72	67	52	3	28	89	40	0	8
St Andrews	Allentown	184	182	161	21	63	158	101	12	9
Trinity	Athens	84	71	30	2	13	45	53	2	5
Nativity	Bethlehem	1038	1031	849	182	284	727	184	76	82
Trinity	Bethlehem	464	459	375	55	119	283	151	65	47
Trinity	Carbondale	113	109	59	6	37	80	52	0	1
Epiphany	Clarks Summit	511	506	134	16	58	149	51	32	36
St James	Clifford Township	0	0	0	0	26	0	15	0	0
Prince of Peace	Dallas	171	172	76	4	48	0	52	3	11
St Gabriels	Douglasville	304	301	132	45	166	270	196	57	21
St James	Drifton	53	43	34	9	24	46	0	54	57
Trinity	Easton	529	543	401	80	105	303	105	81	46
St Margarets	Emmaus	103	103	56	14	41	93	52	9	21
Christ	Forest City	61	60	58	2	34	84	1972	7	14
St Johns	Hamlin	169	182	140	10	49	89	4	3	4
St Peters	Hazleton	114	106	104	2	32	70	2	2	3
St Georges	Hellertown	140	141	79	26	55	106	51	2	17
Christ	Honesdale	24	18	18	0	11	16	0	0	1
Grace	Honesdale	115	124	110	14	58	129	154	12	22
St James-St George	Jennyn	194	89	64	5	41	124	55	0	30
St Marks & St Johns	Jim Thorpe	234	240	222	18	59	147	113	4	71
Grace	Kingston	175	173	86	29	55	118	103	5	11
St Barnabas	Kutztown	20	18	13	2	11	16	2	0	0
St Lukes	Lebanon	472	475	281	30	128	239	135	48	26
All Saints	Lehighton	246	170	141	29	52	95	0	4	0
Good Shepherd and St Johns	Milford	133	140	130	10	64	76	103	4	0
St Pauls	Montrose	67	64	0	0	35	78	52	6	8
St Thomas	Morgantown	64	68	52	7	34	57	64	3	40
St Marks	Moscow	122	113	79	12	32	85	53	3	3
Trinity	Mount Pocono	76	82	74	8	63	119	104	4	37



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Mediator	Allentown	6	177	2	6	1	5	1	0	1	38	Yes
Grace	Allentown	13	20	1	5	0	2	1	0	0	0	Yes
St Andrews	Allentown	0	1	3	4	0	2	3	1	1	0	Yes
Trinity	Athens	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	No
Nativity	Bethlehem	4	0	10	9	2	13	2	1	4	102	No
Trinity	Bethlehem	43	510	2	6	0	5	0	0	0	15	Yes
Trinity	Carbondale	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	0	8	No
Epiphany	Clarks Summit	0	34	1	6	0	0	1	5	0	18	Yes
St James	Clifford Township	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	No
Prince of Peace	Dallas	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	7	No
St Gabriels	Douglasville	2	2	1	6	0	3	0	0	0	60	Yes
St James	Drifton	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	Yes
Trinity	Easton	2	131	3	7	1	1	0	0	0	13	Yes
St Margarets	Emmas	0	0	1	5	0	3	0	0	0	14	No
Christ	Forest City	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	No
St Johns	Hamlin	0	0	0	3	0	2	3	1	12	5	Yes
St Peters	Hazleton	2	3	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	Yes
St Georges	Hellertown	0	48	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	15	No
Christ	Honesdale	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	No
Grace	Honesdale	2	0	2	10	1	5	0	5	2	14	Yes
St James-St George	Jennyn	4	4	2	4	0	4	0	0	0	6	Yes
St Marks & St Johns	Jim Thorpe	2	0	1	3	0	8	0	0	0	2	No
Grace	Kingston	1	4	1	2	1	2	2	1	2	28	No
St Barnabas	Kutztown	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	No
St Lukes	Lebanon	7	10	0	5	0	4	0	0	0	18	Yes
All Saints	Lehighton	0	0	3	3	0	1	0	0	12	0	No
Good Shepherd and St Johns	Milford	0	0	1	2	2	1	2	0	4	12	Yes
St Pauls	Montrose	0	69	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	Yes
St Thomas	Morgantown	4	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	6	Yes
St Marks	Moscow	0	0	0	2	0	3	5	5	0	9	No
Trinity	Mount Pocono	0	47	1	4	0	2	0	0	4	14	No

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St Martins	Mountain Top	111	110	52	3	27	45	50	3	12
St Andrews	Nanticoke	42	43	36	0	23	53	48	3	70
St Brigids	Nazareth	159	160	70	32	51	67	50	16	6
St Mark	New Milford	23	24	16	0	15	15	43	3	4
St Johns	Palmerton	98	80	64	0	27	40	99	13	19
St Josephs	Pen Argyl	13	12	10	2	10	20	51	1	15
Trinity	Pottsville	249	257	212	20	60	144	38	4	49
Christ	Reading	627	629	301	69	370	500	168	52	24
St Marys	Reading	34	31	22	0	22	29	51	0	0
Redeemer	Sayre	179	180	66	8	57	142	3	1	0
St James	Schuylkill Haven	63	60	55	5	14	25	49	0	18
Good Shepherd	Scranton	60	70	48	8	35	85	52	0	0
St Lukes	Scranton	190	188	130	15	71	147	113	56	4
St Albans	Sinking Spring	362	361	343	18	84	132	102	15	35
North Parish	St Clair	177	177	62	6	32	67	61	6	53
Christ	Stroudsburg	245	231	199	32	103	210	137	48	29
Christ	Susquehanna	17	18	16	1	10	14	42	2	0
Calvary	Tamaqua	37	37	27	10	18	43	39	1	2
Christ	Towanda	156	157	132	24	46	95	0	96	52
St Annes	Trexletown	380	300	240	18	115	204	115	7	80
St Pauls	Troy	69	72	23	0	20	39	50	2	0
St Peters	Tunkhannock	40	32	32	0	23	51	2	0	6
Trinity	West Pittston	152	156	84	18	45	110	52	3	0
St Stephens	Whitehall	127	127	59	5	28	94	98	3	5
Holy Cross	Wilkes Barre	143	136	109	15	41	90	104	12	7
St Clements & St Peters	Wilkes Barre	90	88	43	12	31	60	51	3	12
St Stephens	Wilkes Barre	419	275	150	16	114	317	104	49	5
St Marys	Wind Gap	53	50	48	2	18	30	56	2	38

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St Martins	Mountain Top	2	0	1	3	0	3	2	0	1	2	No
St Andrews	Nanticoke	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	No
St Brigids	Nazareth	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	27	Yes
St Mark	New Milford	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	No
St Johns	Palmerton	4	0	1	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	No
St Josephs	Pen Argyl	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	No
Trinity	Pottsville	29	53	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	20	Yes
Christ	Reading	0	52	3	6	1	6	0	0	0	69	Yes
St Marys	Reading	1	0	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	No
Redeemer	Sayre	0	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	10	No
St James	Schrykill Haven	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	Yes
Good Shepherd	Scranton	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	8	No
St Lukes	Scranton	0	0	1	13	0	0	0	0	0	6	Yes
St Albans	Sinking Spring	0	35	1	7	0	3	0	0	0	10	Yes
North Parish	St Clair	37	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	5	No
Christ	Stroudsburg	2	2	3	4	0	2	0	0	0	41	Yes
Christ	Susquehanna	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	No
Calvary	Tamaqua	11	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	No
Christ	Towanda	25	18	2	4	1	0	0	0	0	5	Yes
St Annes	Trexertown	0	0	0	6	0	4	3	0	0	20	Yes
St Pauls	Troy	1	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	No
St Peters	Tunkhannock	2	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	Yes
Trinity	West Pittston	0	52	2	1	0	4	0	0	0	14	Yes
St Stephens	Whitehall	1	43	1	1	0	0	2	0	7	2	No
Holy Cross	Wilkes Barre	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	10	No
St Clements & St Peters	Wilkes Barre	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	10	No
St Stephens	Wilkes Barre	3	185	0	5	1	5	0	0	0	11	Yes
St Marys	Wind Gap	2	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	No

## 2016 FINANCIAL STATISTICS OF CONGREGATIONS

Name	City	Pledge Cards	Amount Pledged	Plate Pledge	Operating Revenues	Non-Operating Revenues	Total Revenues	To Diocese	Outreach	Operating Expenses	Non-Operating Expenses	Total Expenses
Mediator	Allentown	73	238,624	262,677	381,699	75,336	457,035	49,676	2,500	415,848	127,286	543,134
Grace	Allentown	24	45,500	53,225	99,219	0	99,219	13,848	0	101,870	0	101,870
St Andrews	Allentown	58	118,730	143,579	172,229	6,478	178,707	22,420	5,691	168,547	4,873	173,420
Tinity	Athens	11	11,936	29,774	61,639	17,899	79,538	9,910	385	66,507	2,622	69,129
Nativity	Bethlehem	185	477,087	566,093	782,699	237,524	1,020,223	102,723	330	782,699	87,690	870,389
Tinity	Bethlehem	83	229,578	275,311	384,782	7,475	392,257	47,561	24,550	361,118	16,750	377,868
Tinity	Carbondale	19	16,544	23,774	61,102	3,000	64,102	10,517	0	68,611	1,940	70,551
Epiphany	Clarks Summit	65	148,184	152,831	219,948	81,106	301,054	25,919	2,727	212,435	100,485	312,920
St James	Clifford Township		0	5,468	5,468	0	5,468	917	0	7,512	0	7,512
Prince of Peace	Dallas	44	56,708	72,656	93,206	4,374	97,580	10,366	987	97,128	6,668	103,796
St Gabriels	Douglasville	63	180,339	285,013	319,751	157,119	476,870	37,083	4,029	432,213	58,289	490,502
St James	Drifton		0	10,838	33,220	15,570	48,790	6,759	0	50,875	15,473	66,348
Tinity	Easton	86	199,923	242,085	395,861	60,053	455,914	52,117	1,920	402,474	40,801	443,275
St Margarets	Emmasus	29	54,402	43,798	52,248	21,115	73,363	9,164	0	57,216	430	57,646
Christ	Forest City	33	29,720	43,798	57,129	5,445	62,574	8,195	1,257	41,332	3,514	44,846
St Johns	Hamlin	46	71,800	77,552	92,128	28,451	120,579	11,284	1,301	100,053	18,979	119,032
St Peters	Hazleton	37	49,690	66,462	94,697	0	94,697	14,211	1,717	71,362	0	71,362
St Georges	Hellertown	42	67,988	85,250	103,755	7,963	111,718	12,747	250	101,213	17,170	118,383
Christ	Honesdale		0	4,931	5,085	0	5,085	3,410	0	12,351	0	12,351
Grace	Honesdale	39	66,316	81,241	95,741	36,647	132,388	8,086	913	100,603	35,746	136,349
St James-St George	Jermyn	28	31,349	35,323	53,186	11,008	64,194	4,876	2,588	50,993	12,981	63,974
St Marks & St Johns	Jim Thorpe		0	62,720	227,819	0	227,819	32,286	0	229,812	0	229,812
Grace	Kingston	30	57,417	86,188	185,591	0	185,591	22,963	1,700	186,753	0	186,753
St Barnabas	Kutztown	8	15,000	14,390	22,890	0	22,890	3,985	0	24,116	0	24,116
St Lukes	Lebanon	92	198,116	208,697	321,025	123,961	444,986	41,880	4,323	310,129	36,867	346,996
All Saints	Leighton	44	56,976	66,757	97,622	19,097	116,719	14,335	673	97,623	19,097	116,720
Good Shepherd and St Johns	Milford	46	115,420	123,867	156,385	20,288	176,673	14,784	0	150,363	34,669	185,032
St Pauls	Montrose	26	56,056	56,476	158,698	18,089	176,787	25,113	7,787	141,649	37,730	179,379
St Thomas	Morgantown	20	58,253	59,577	72,085	0	72,085	8,605	500	76,507	0	76,507
St Marks	Moscow	31	50,500	49,323	53,329	5,016	58,345	8,356	300	51,192	2,816	54,008

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Tinity	Mount Pocono	49	87,388	110,711	110,711	2,915	113,626	11,121	110,371	2,915	113,286
St Martins	Mountain Top	21	27,500	30,273	40,377	373	40,750	6,321	46,153	813	46,966
St Andrews	Nanticoke		0	12,003	23,694	0	23,694	2,868	23,694	0	23,694
St Brigids	Nazareth	34	83,636	96,527	104,956	20,792	125,748	13,791	97,602	26,684	124,286
St Mark	New Milford	6	9,840	18,982	40,157	170,713	210,870	8,705	43,230	40,030	83,260
St Johns	Palmerston	16	22,110	40,113	101,826	2,869	104,695	13,539	85,082	5,643	90,725
St Josephs	Pen Argyl	10	7,500	25,120	28,120	0	28,120	0	27,432	180	27,612
Tinity	Pottsville	49	90,715	129,359	220,820	33,545	254,365	36,725	230,174	61,882	292,056
Christ	Reading	93	289,332	289,267	430,307	16,665	446,972	68,175	523,422	18,033	541,455
St Marys	Reading	17	28,860	35,646	44,395	14,465	58,860	6,293	40,318	698	41,016
Redeemer	Sayre	40	68,109	79,948	125,739	0	125,739	16,687	123,171	23,475	146,646
St James	Schuylkill Haven	0	0	25,053	28,998	0	28,998	3,890	29,828	0	29,828
Good Shepherd	Scranton	18	444,277	46,500	65,796	0	65,796	8,500	86,106	0	86,106
St Lukes	Scranton	55	55,576	84,114	303,598	3,560	307,158	31,750	303,653	18,188	321,841
St Albans	Sinking Spring	66	143,632	186,360	288,420	287,306	575,726	33,320	275,152	383,981	659,133
North Parish	St Clair	14	13,564	38,240	55,527	30,158	85,685	10,477	56,618	59,122	115,740
Christ	Stroudsburg	42	134,000	168,648	198,111	29,500	227,611	26,093	212,580	9,474	222,054
Christ	Susquehanna	0	0	21,863	28,872	0	28,872	3,432	22,805	325	23,130
Calvary	Tamaqua	0	0	14,793	16,979	0	16,979	2,165	12,885	0	12,885
Christ	Towanda	29	52,149	79,834	130,698	107,488	238,186	15,327	126,410	3,891	130,301
St Annes	Trexlertown	74	264,338	314,283	342,157	214,829	556,986	43,340	314,328	214,829	529,157
St Pauls	Troy	14	21,540	17,805	34,242	10,258	44,500	4,374	30,812	2,334	33,146
St Peters	Tunkhannock	19	30,888	32,332	62,387	9,131	71,518	11,166	78,103	7,043	85,146
Tinity	West Pittston	42	41,890	42,104	80,569	34,291	114,860	8,073	82,370	38,391	120,761
St Stephens	Whitehall	29	33,431	68,478	156,848	674	157,522	10,532	152,039	0	152,039
Holy Cross	Wilkes Barre	49	53,000	51,724	60,058	4,200	64,258	7,145	60,058	4,200	64,258
St Clements & St Peters	Wilkes Barre	21	31,552	66,216	73,173	61,071	134,244	8,540	83,405	68,391	151,796
St Stephens	Wilkes Barre	80	133,100	219,458	340,486	134,183	474,669	43,154	373,425	134,183	507,608
St Marys	Wind Gap	0	0	17,631	17,631	9,891	27,522	2,837	17,631	9,890	27,521