



Prayer Calendar | February 2023

1. Pray for **Bishop Dan Gifford (& Cathryn)** in these early months of his tenure as **diocesan bishop** of ANiC. May God grant him all the health, strength, discernment, vision and the passion he needs for this heavy responsibility. Pray for protection for him from illness and fatigue. Grant him Gospel zeal as he cares for the clergy and parishes in Canada and New England.
2. **Our diocese and province** – Pray for the Anglican Network in Canada and all of our parishes across Canada and in New England. Pray for revival in our churches and their neighbourhoods. May great passion for the Gospel be a hallmark of each congregation. Pray for our primate, **Archbishop Foley Beach (& Allison)**, as he gives godly leadership to **the Anglican Church of North America (ACNA)**. Ask the Lord for great wisdom as he and the College of Bishops make important decisions around the growth of Gospel ministry. Pray also for him in his strategic role as chairman of the Gafcon primates' council.
3. Pray for **Bishop Stephen Leung (& Nona)**. Pray for health, protection, wisdom and vision and the ongoing ministry of AMMiC. Pray for **Bishop Don Harvey (& Trudy)** in his roles as ANiC's episcopal vicar and as senior chaplain to the ACNA College of Bishops. Pray also **Bishop Charlie Masters (& Judy)**, ANiC's bishop of evangelism; **Bishop Trevor Walters (& Dede)**, bishop of mediation, **Bishop Ron Ferris (& Jan)**, bishop of church planting and retired **Bishop Malcolm Harding (& Marylou)**. Thank God for their fruitful ministries and may God continue to use them in service to the Lord.
4. As circumstances escalate and tension increases both **in Ukraine and in Russia**, let us not lose heart, but persevere in **prayer by beseeching God for mercy** and an end to the destruction and desperate decisions. **Pray for the churches in Ukraine and in Russia** that they may bring comfort to those who have suffered needless loss of family members and may they share the transforming Gospel of Jesus in a time of desperate circumstances.

Pray also for **growing church in Iran** in the midst of great turmoil, protest and government crackdown. Grant to the Christians discernment and wisdom as they seek God's guidance as to what role they should take in ministering to the hurting and persecuted.
5. Pray for our **Electoral Nominating Committee (ENC)**, chaired by Executive Archdeacon Paul Charbonneau, as they seek the Lord's will concerning candidates for the office of suffragan bishop serving in western Canada to be elected at our diocesan synod later this year.

Today is World Mission Sunday across our diocese and province. Please pray that each parish will have the opportunity to *"Tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvellous works among all the peoples!"* (Psa 96.2) through some expression of evangelistic mission. For some great examples, this year's **"On Mission 2023"** book with reports from various ANiC parishes is available from Amazon for a nominal fee or can be downloaded for free from our ANiC website.
6. **ANiC's 5 Ministry Priorities** – Pray that God will use these five priorities to transform us and our parishes. Pray also for the leaders and their team around each priority: **Bold witnesses** (Scott Hunt); **Biblically grounded** (Canon George Sinclair); **Loving children & youth into the Kingdom** (Rev. Jeremy & Kimberley Graham); **On mission** (Canon Brian McVitty); and **Planting & Growing Churches** (Canon Alastair Sterne).
7. **ANiC archdeacons, canons & all clergy** – Pray for spiritual and physical protection and renewal as well as God's blessing upon their ministry. Pray also for their spouses & families that God would grant them safety and health in body, mind and spirit and may the Lord grant them grace upon grace as they pastor those under their care.

Pray also for our extended **Bishops' Zoom Gathering today** with our clergy as the Rev. Ben Roberts shares on the importance of **Catechesis** – *"the Church's God-assigned task of grounding believers in Christ and in the foundations of the Christian Faith"* – and the resources we have in ANiC available for such discipleship training.
8. **ANiC staff & volunteers**, especially our new executive director, **Rev. Canon Howard Edwards**– Pray for strength for the tasks, faithfulness in service, and joy in the Lord. May God's blessing rest on ANiC as we seek to know, love and serve Him. Pray also for **ANiC's council, chancellor & registrar** – Pray for wisdom and servant hearts as they serve ANiC. May they know God's leading, seek His will, and experience His joy.
9. **Asian & Multicultural Ministries in Canada (AMMiC)** – May God bless and prosper their ministry as they reach out to ethnic communities and new immigrants with the transforming Gospel of Jesus, and engage in planting new churches. For further prayer around this important ministry, AMMiC also produces their own monthly prayer calendar available on their website: ammic.ca
10. Pray for all our young **church plants and new congregations** that are in the process of getting established including: **Resurrection** in Rigaud, QC; **Messiah Kanata** in Kanata, ON; **St. Francis** in Saskatoon; **All Saints** in Calgary, AB; **St. Thomas** in Summerland, BC; and **Highway Northshore** in North Vancouver, BC.
11. Pray for **the faculty and students of ANiC's new seminary, Packer College, resident at the Church of the Good Samaritan** in St. John's NL. May there be a sense of Godly anticipation as this new theological training facility continues in its first year of ministry. Pray that many "labourers will be sent out into the harvest" (Matt 9:38). For more detailed information about the college, its mission, and student life, please see: packercollege.ca
12. **ANiC's New England congregations:** Holy Trinity (Marlborough, MA) Christ the True Vine Anglican

Mission (Marlborough, MA)
Emmanuel - Chinese (Boston, MA)

13. ANiC congregations in the Atlantic Provinces:

St Stephen the Martyr (St John's, NL)
Resurrection (Halifax, NS)
Good Samaritan (St John's, NL)
Christ the King (Sussex, NB)
All Saints (Bonavista, NL)
St. Matthew's (Gander, NL)

14. ANiC congregations in the Ottawa area:

St Luke's (Pembroke)
Messiah (Ottawa)
St Peter & St Paul's (Ottawa)
Grace (Mississippi Mills)
Eternal Hope (Carleton Place)
Messiah (Kanata)

15. ANiC congregations in Quebec:

Emmaus (Montreal)
St Timothy's (Montreal)
St James (Lennoxville)
Resurrection Church (Rigaud) **recent**

16. ANiC congregations in Ontario:

St Aidan's (Windsor)
St Aidan's at River's Bend (Belle River)
Cornerstone Anglican Church (Sarnia)
New Life (Sturgeon Falls)
The Gate (Iron Bridge)
Church of the Good Shepherd (Sault Ste Marie) church project

17. ANiC congregations in Ontario:

St Hilda's (Oakville)
St Peter by the Park (Hamilton)
St George's (Burlington)
Good Shepherd (St Catharines)
St Jude (Guelph)
St Barnabas Anglican Mission (Wilsonville)
All Saints GTA (Mississauga) **recent**

18. ANiC congregations in Greater Toronto and eastern Ontario:

St Chad's (Toronto)
Celebration Church (Barrie)
Christ the King (Toronto)
New Song (Port Perry)
Living Waters (Kingston)
St James Fellowship (Trenton)
St Stephen Anglican Fellowship (Napane)

19. ANiC congregations in Saskatchewan & Manitoba:

Resurrection (Brandon, MB)
St Bede's (Kinosota, MB)
Redeemer (Dauphin, MB)
Saint Saviour's (Lloydminster SK)
St. Francis Anglican Worship Community (Saskatoon, SK)

20. ANiC congregations in Alberta:

Grace Anglican (Calgary)
Christ the King (Edmonton)
Good Shepherd - Cantonese (Calgary)
Living Water (Athabasca)
All Saints (Calgary) **new**

21. ANiC congregations in the Fraser Valley & Interior of BC:

Ascension (Langley)
Resurrection (Kelowna)
Saint Matthew's (Abbotsford)
Christ Church (Kelowna)
Church of the Holy Cross (Abbotsford)
Bulkley River (formerly Houston and Smithers)
St. Thomas (Summerland) **recent**

22. ANiC congregations in the Vancouver area:

St John's (Vancouver)
St. Thomas Mission (UBC, Vancouver) (merged with Sojourn Church)
St John's (Richmond)
St Peter's Fireside (Vancouver)
St Andrew's (Delta)

Collect for Ash Wednesday:

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

23. ANiC congregations in the Vancouver area:

St Matthias and St Luke (Vancouver)
Good Shepherd Richmond - Chinese
All Nations - Japanese
St John's - Sudanese (Surrey)
Good Shepherd Vancouver - Chinese
St Timothy's (North Vancouver)
St Simon's (North Vancouver)
Highway Church (north shore Vancouver) **recent**

24. ANiC congregations on Vancouver Island & Sunshine Coast:

Open Gate Church (Victoria)
Church of Our Lord (Victoria)
Christ's Church (Oceanside)
The Table (Victoria, Saanich Peninsula)
Christ the Redeemer (Pender Harbour)

25. Pray for the **Anglican Relief and Development Fund Canada** (ARDFC) and its latest project as it is partnering with the **Anglican Church in Cambodia** to expand a safe hostel for girls in the suburbs of Phnom Penh, Cambodia. This splendid building is now complete and we pray for the ministry to young women that will take place there. There are also plans for a **church plant in Phnom Penh** that is in its early stages. Pray for wisdom and protection in an environment sometimes hostile to the Gospel.

26. Pray for **Anglican Explorers** for the fruitfulness of this ANiC church seeding and planting initiative led by Bishop Ron Ferris and Rev. Geoff Chapman as they seek to match church planters with seed groups and planting opportunities across the country.

27. Pray for **Gafcon, our global family of authentic Anglicans** standing together **to retain and restore the Bible to the heart of the Anglican Communion**. Pray for the fulfillment of their God-given mandate: "Gafcon works to guard and proclaim the unchanging, transforming Gospel through biblically faithful preaching and teaching which frees our churches to make disciples by clear and certain witness to Jesus Christ in all the world."

Pray also for the highly important **GAFCON IV conference** to be held **April 16-23, 2023** in Kilgali, Rwanda. These gatherings of orthodox Anglicans from all around the world have proven to be both a great encouragement and of strategic importance to the proclamation of the transforming Gospel of Jesus.

28. As we move through this year 2023, pray for **a fresh outpouring of repentance and revival upon our nations and our world!** "Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence - as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil - to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence!" Isaiah 64:1-2 ESV