



# Prayer Calendar | September 2023

1. Pray for **Bishop Dan Gifford (& Cathryn)**, the **diocesan bishop** of ANiC, as he and his family move to Ontario. May God grant him all the health, strength, discernment, vision and the passion he needs for this important 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 in North America (ACNA)** of which ANiC is a member diocese.
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, for physical healing; **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. Pray for our **Electoral Nominating Committee (ENC)**, chaired by Executive Archdeacon Paul Charbonneau, as they work with and present the candidates for the office of suffragan bishop serving in western Canada to be elected at our diocesan synod later this year. Pray for the candidates and their families as they continue through the intensive nomination process and pray that we would as a diocese have wisdom and discernment in the upcoming election.
5. Many of the children across our diocese will be heading back to school this week. **Pray for the protection of all students, teachers and staff members** that the Lord would keep them safe in body, soul and spirit. May God grant His peace that passes all understanding upon our children and youth in these stressful and confusing days.
6. **ANiC's 5 Ministry Priorities** – Pray that God will use these five strategic priorities to transform us and our parishes. Pray for the leadership teams around each priority: **Bold witnesses; Biblically grounded; Loving children & youth into the Kingdom; On mission, and Planting & Growing Churches.**
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.
8. **ANiC staff & volunteers**, especially our 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 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. Pray for **the recovery of the many who are sick** among us:  
*Almighty and immortal God, giver of life and health: We implore your mercy for your servant (insert specific names here) that by your blessing upon them and upon those who minister to them with your healing gifts, they may be restored to health of body and mind, according to your gracious will, and may give thanks to you in your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. BCP2019*  
Pray also for **Matthew Usherwood** who today will be ordained to the diaconate (transitional). Matt will be
10. Pray for our **Diocesan Synod 2023**, scheduled for November 15 - 17 at the Church of the Good Shepherd Vancouver. This will be an electoral synod as we elect a suffragan bishop for the west. Please intercede for our **ANiC staff and the host team at Good Shepherd** as they seek the Lord for His guidance, and make preparations for this highly important synod gathering. May the results of the episcopal vote be directed by the Holy Spirit.
11. **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. Pray also for their upcoming conference on September 29-30 on "Jumpt Starting Multi-Ethnic Mission". You can learn more at: [ammic.ca](http://ammic.ca)
12. Pray for all our young **church plants, projects and prospective ministries** including: **Resurrection** in Rigaud, QC; **Messiah Kanata** in Kanata, ON; **St. Francis** in Saskatoon; **All Saints** in Calgary, AB; **St. Thomas** in Summerland, BC; **Highway Northshore** in North Vancouver, BC; **St. Paul's Anglican Church of the Caribou**, Prince George and Quesnel, BC and **Redemption Church**, Charlottetown, PE.
13. Pray for **the faculty and students** of the 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 begins the fall term. 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](http://packercollege.ca)

14. Pray for our diocesan **Curacy Program** where support is provided to young clergy so they can take curacy positions in some of our congregations. Pray for these curates that they would grow and mature as clergy and serve their congregations faithfully. Pray for the rectors of these congregations that they would mentor these curates well. And pray that the Lord would provide more funds and young clergy that we might expand the program.
15. Pray for **lay leaders in our parishes;** for wardens and lay readers, for ministry coordinators, catechists, youth and children's leaders and all those who provide leadership in their congregations. Pray that they would lead faithfully and wisely, that their labours would be by the Spirit, and that they would be encouraged and strengthened in Christ.
16. **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)
17. **ANiC congregations in Quebec & New England:**  
Emmaus (Montreal)  
St Timothy's (Montreal)  
St James (Lennoxville)  
Holy Trinity (Marlborough, MA)
18. **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 West (Kanata)
19. **ANiC congregations in Ontario:**  
St Aidan's (Windsor)  
Cornerstone Anglican Church (Sarnia)  
New Life (Sturgeon Falls)  
The Gate (Iron Bridge)  
Church of the Good Shepherd (Sault Ste Marie)
20. **ANiC congregations in Ontario:**  
St Hilda's (Oakville)  
St Peter by the Park (Hamilton)  
St George's (Burlington)  
Church of the Good Shepherd (St Catharines)  
St Jude (Guelph)
- St Barnabas Anglican Mission (Wilsonville)  
All Saints GTA (Mississauga)
21. **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)
22. **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)
23. **ANiC congregations in Alberta:**  
Grace Anglican (Calgary)  
Christ the King (Edmonton)  
Good Shepherd - Cantonese (Calgary)  
Living Water (Athabasca)  
All Saints (Calgary)  
Via Lethbridge (Lethbridge) **new**  
Christ Our King (Calgary) **new**
24. **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)
25. **ANiC congregations in the Vancouver area:**  
St John's (Vancouver)  
St Thomas Mission (Vancouver)  
St John's (Richmond)  
St Peter's Fireside (Vancouver)  
St Andrew's (Delta)  
Highway Church (north shore Vancouver)
26. **ANiC congregations in the Vancouver area:**  
St Matthias and St Luke (Vancouver)  
Good Shepherd (Richmond - Chinese)  
St John's (Surrey - Sudanese)  
Church of the Good Shepherd (Vancouver - Chinese)  
St Timothy's (North Vancouver)  
St Simon's (North Vancouver)  
Good Shepherd (Burnaby - Chinese)  
King's Cross (Burnaby)
27. **ANiC congregations on Vancouver Island & Sunshine Coast:**  
Open Gate Church (Victoria)  
Church of Our Lord (Victoria)  
Christ's Church (Nanoose Bay)  
The Table (Victoria, Saanich Peninsula)  
Christ the Redeemer (Pender Harbour)
28. Pray for the **Anglican Relief and Development Fund Canada (ARDFC)** and its latest focus - a new water project in Mozambique where they are drilling 4 new wells and constructing protection for 14 natural water springs providing safe clean drinking water for more than 8400 people. And also pray for our **INCREASE Church Planting Intensive** happening today in Vancouver for lay leaders, those interested in ordination, and new clergy.
29. 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. Also, pray for the **Church Planting Committee** as they advise our Bishops and Council. And pray for our Asian and Multicultural Ministries in Canada (AMMiC) as they host their **annual ministry conference** today and tomorrow at Church of the Good Shepherd in Vancouver with the theme "Jump Starting Multi-Ethnic Mission: A New Breath for Cross-Cultural Ministries".
30. Pray for the **ongoing ministry of 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."