Prayer Calendar | August 2022

- As we continue to watch in both 1. disbelief and sorrow the unfolding events in Ukraine, let us not lose heart, but persevere in prayer for the people of Ukraine, millions of whom have been forced to make radical decisions for themselves and their families as to whether to flee or not. 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.
- 2. Let us **continue to pray** asking **for God's intervention in the spread of Covid and its various strains** across North America and all around the world. Ask God to **intervene and eradicate** this virus. Ask him to help public health officials, doctors, and government officials with wisdom and guidance. Ask him to heal the victims and comfort those who have lost loved-ones.
- 3. Pray for **Bishop Charlie Masters** (& Judy) as he leads ANiC. May God grant him all the health, strength, discernment 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, especially in these last few months of his tenure as diocesan bishop.
- 4. 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). Pray also for him in his strategic role as chairman of the Gafcon primates' council.
- Pray for Bishop Stephen Leung (& Nona). Pray for health, protection, wisdom and vision and the ongoing ministry of AMMiC. Pray also for coadjutor Bishop Dan Gifford (& Cathryn) as he serves as the temporary Bishop of the West,

and ultimately to become our next diocesan bishop at Synod in November. May the Lord grant both of these men of God the anointing of the Spirit for the fulfilling of their calling.

 Pray for our Electoral Nominating Committee (ENC) 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 2023. Here's a prayer that can be used either corporately or personally: Almighty God, our heavenly Father; You have richly blessed us with such godly leadership throughout the early history of the Anglican Network in Canada, and for that we are profoundly grateful to You.

Now, Father, we pray for the regathered Electoral Nominating *Committee, charged now with the task* of preparing a slate of nominations for the office of Suffragan Bishop to be elected at Synod 2023. As Archdeacon Paul Charbonneau and his committee members seek Your guidance, may they be filled with the knowledge of Your will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding. Protect them, O Lord, from all assaults of the enemy, and may the Holy Spirit bring them into that perfect unity that Your Son, our Lord Jesus, prayed for on our behalf. These things we ask in His mighty Name, and to Your honour and glory. Amen

- 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 for his continued
 health and vigour. Pray also for
 our retired bishops: Bishop Trevor
 Walters (& Dede), Bishop Ron
 Ferris (& Jan) and Bishop Malcolm
 Harding (& Marylou). Thank God for
 their fruitful ministries.
- 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).

- 9. 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.
- 10. ANiC staff & volunteers in Burlington – Pray for strength for the tasks, faithfulness in service, and joy in the Lord. May the Lord grant physical healing to those in need and 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.
- 11. Pray for our **Diocesan Synod 2022** scheduled for the 1st week of November at St. Peter & St. Paul's Church, Ottawa. This will be Bishop Charlie's last synod as our diocesan bishop. Please intercede for our ANiC staff and the host team at St. P&P's as they seek the Lord for His guidance, and make preparations for this highly important gathering.
- 12. 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
- 13. 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.

14. ANiC's New England

congregations: Holy Trinity (Marlborough, MA) Christ the True Vine Anglican Mission (Marlborough, MA) All Saints' (Rutland, VT) Christ the Way Anglican Mission (Moosup, CT) Emmanuel - Chinese (Boston, MA)

15. 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)

16. 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)

17. ANIC congregations in Quebec:

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

18. 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

19. ANiC congregations in Ontario: St Hilda's (Oakville)

St Peter by the Park (Hamilton) St George's (Burlington) Epiphany (Hamilton) Good Shepherd (St Catharines) St Jude (Guelph) St Barnabas Anglican Mission ((Wilsonville)

20. 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 (Napanee)

21. 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)

22. ANiC congregations in Alberta:

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

23. 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

24. 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)

25. Anglican Explorers - Pray 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.

26. 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**

27. ANiC congregations on Vancouver Island & Sunshine Coast: Open Gate Church (Victoria) Church of Our Lord (Victoria) Christ's Church (Oceanside)

Christ's Church (Oceanside) The Table (Victoria, Saanich Peninsula) Christ the Redeemer (Pender Harbour)

- 28. 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.
- 29. Please 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.

- 30. Pray for the millions of refugees and internally displaced people worldwide. Pray for persecuted Christians, especially in Islamic, communist and war-torn lands. Pray especially for the millions of refugees fleeing from the horror of the war in Ukraine, and for the church and the people of Afghanistan.
- 31. Our nations are deeply divided internally and increasingly polarized. The Church worldwide needs to reflect on the Scriptural promise below and see the responsibility that we have - "those who are called by My Name" - to seek the Lord, to repent of our wicked ways, asking him to mercifully hear from heaven, forgive our sin and heal our lands. "If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked wavs. then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land." 2 **Chronicles 7:14 ESV**