## Prayer Calendar | June 2021

- Let us continue to pray daily 1. throughout the month asking for God's intervention in the spread of the Coronavirus strains in 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. Ask him to inspire and guide researchers who are actively producing viable vaccines and those who are planning and overseeing the vaccines' distribution.
- 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.
- 3. 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. We so desperately need the Lord. May great passion for the Gospel be a hallmark of each congregation. Pray also for 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 strategic decisions around the opening of church buildings and Gospel ministry in the ever-shifting lockdown reality. Pray also for him in his strategic role as chairman of the Gafcon primates' council.
- 4. Pray for our **Diocesan Synod 2021** scheduled for November where a new Coadjutor bishop will be elected. With the ongoing uncertainty around Covid restrictions, intercede for the House of Bishops, ANiC council and staff as they seek the Lord for His guidance concerning the format (in-person or virtual) of this highly important synod gathering.

\*\* First Friday: We urge you to set aside the first Friday as a day to pray and fast (if you are able) for our diocese (ANiC), the Anglican Church of North America, and the Anglican Communion worldwide. We live in an age of immense pressure against the Gospel, and a world devastated by COVID-19 and increasing racial conflict. It is critical that we unite together in prayer.

5. As Bishop Charlie's retirement approaches in 2022 and Bishop Trevor Walters' this year, pray also for the newly formed **Electoral Nominating Committee** who are working to discern candidates for these two episcopal offices. Here is a prayer that can be used either in corporate worship services or private prayer:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we pray for the Electoral Nominating Committee, charged with the task of preparing a slate of nominations for the office of Coadjutor Bishop to be elected at our next Diocesan Synod in November and for a Suffragan Bishop the following year. 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 ANiC's suffragan bishops: Bishops Stephen Leung (& Nona) and Trevor Walters (& Dede). Pray for health, protection, wisdom and vision as they care for clergy and churches. May the Lord grant them the anointing of the Spirit for the fulfilling of their calling.
- 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 **Bishop Ron Ferris (& Jan)** as he fulfills his important role as Assisting Bishop for Missionary Planning. Pray also for our retired bishop, **Bishop Malcolm Harding (& Marylou)**. Thank God for their fruitful ministries.
- 8. 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 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.
- 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. For further prayer around this important ministry, AMMIC also produces their own monthly prayer calendar available on their website: ammic.ca

**Pray also** for the **Rev. Angus Wu** who has been chosen to be the new rector of St. Matthias and St. Luke, Vancouver and who will be **ordained to the Diaconate tomorrow, June 12th** and to the **Priesthood on July 10th.** 

 Pray for a group of **new church** plants that are in the process of getting started in the midst of the COVID environment: **Messiah** Kanata, a plant flowing out of Church of the Messiah in Ottawa being led by **Rev. Daniel & Christine** Avitan; a Saskatoon Project led by Jan Bigland Pritchard; Whitehorse project led by **Becca & Cy Sweetville**; and **Highway**, a new church plant on the Northshore of Vancouver in partnership with St Simon's led by **Rev. Joe Pienaar; and Église Resurrection Church** in Rigaud QC being led by **Jonathan Camiré.** 

**13. 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)

#### 14. 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)

## 15. ANiC congregations in the Ottawa area

Faith Anglican (Limoges) St Luke's (Pembroke) Messiah (Ottawa) Blackburn Hamlet Community (Ottawa) St Peter & St Paul's (Ottawa) Grace (Mississippi Mills) Eternal Hope (Carleton Place) Messiah (Kanata)

#### 16. ANiC congregations in Quebec

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

#### 17. 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 St. Barnabas Anglican Mission (Wilsonville) **recent** 

#### 18. 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)

#### **19.** 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)

#### 20. 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)

#### 21. ANIC congregations in Alberta

Holy Trinity - Filipino (Edmonton) Grace Anglican (Calgary) Christ the King (Edmonton) Good Shepherd - Cantonese (Calgary) Living Water (Athabasca)

#### 22. 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 project (formerly Houston and Smithers)

## 23. 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)

# 24. 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.

ANIC congregation in the Yukon Whitehorse church plant (Whitehorse YK) recent

### 25. 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) **new** 

- 26. 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)
- 27. Pray for the Anglican Relief and **Development Fund Canada** (ARDFC) as it is partnering with Redeemer Anglican Church and the Anglican Church of Paraguay in an expansion of El Redentor School. This project will complete the second stage of the school's expansion, adding four new classrooms and an office for the administration, doubling the enrollment. The school will teach students Christian values and help them gain an understanding of the Christian faith. \*\*Pray also for the Rev. Deacon

**Devin Hunt** who today is being ordained to the priesthood at St. Peter and St. Paul, Ottawa

- 28. 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."
- **29. Pray for the millions of refugees** and internally displaced people worldwide. Pray for persecuted Christians, especially in Islamic, communist and war-torn lands. Pray this month for the people and the Christian church in **Myanmar** (Burma).
- **30.** Our nations of Canada and the USA: Pray for God's great mercy and grace to be poured out on our nations as we struggle to put an end to the spread of Covid 19. Both our countries are deeply polarized over different issues, even in the Church. May God hear our repentance and cries for mercy as we seek His face and turn away from our "wicked ways" (2 Chronicles 7:14), and may he "heal our lands!