

# Prayer Calendar | June 2023

 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.

Pray for the **Welcome to ANiC Services** for Christ our King Anglican Church Calgary (formerly Via Calgary) on June 1 and Via Church Lethbridge on June 2

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. 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. May the Christians in both nations reach out to others with compassion and hope in the midst of such devastation and loss.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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 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.
- 10. 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 for the healing service for Bishop Charlie Masters being held at St. George's Burlington today at 11:00 AM ET.

- 11. 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. Pray also for 6 candidates being ordained today in BC: Rob Collis to the priesthood (curacy at St. Peter's Fireside); Richard Sandlin to the priesthood (curacy at St. Peter's Fireside and St. Timothy's N. Vancouver); Ross Hastings to the priesthood (St. John's Vancouver); Dan Glover to the diaconate (missioner BC Gulf Islands); Will **Gray** to the diaconate (curacy St. John's Vancouver); Jeff Schroeder to the diaconate (Highway Church North Vancouver).
- 12. 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 concludes its first year of ministry preparation. 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

### 13. ANiC's New England congregations:

Holy Trinity (Marlborough, MA) Christ the True Vine Anglican Mission (Marlborough, MA) 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:

St Luke's (Pembroke) Messiah (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) Resurrection Church (Rigaud)

#### 17. 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) church project

#### 18. 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** 

#### 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)

Pray for the ACNA College of Bishops being held June 19-21 in Dallas. Ask the Lord to grant them Godly wisdom and discernment as they seek Him for direction and guidance for our province. Some of our ANiC bishops will be in attendance. Also, pray for the ACNA Provincial Council, on June 22-23, also being held in Dallas.

#### 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:

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

#### 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 (formerly Houston and Smithers) St. Thomas (Summerland) **recent** 

# 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) Highway Church (north shore Vancouver)

### 24. ANiC congregations in the Vancouver area:

St Matthias and St Luke (Vancouver) Good Shepherd Richmond – Chinese St John's – Sudanese (Surrey) Good Shepherd Vancouver – Chinese St Timothy's (North Vancouver) St Simon's (North Vancouver) Good Shepherd Burnaby - Chinese

#### 25. 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)

- 26. 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.
- 27. 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.

28. 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."

> Please pray also for Archbishop Laurent Mbanda (Rwanda) who is the new Chairman of the Gafcon Primates Council, and there are also two new vice-chairs, Archbishop Miguel Uchoa (Brazil) and Archbishop Kanishka Raffel (Sydney).

- 29. The nations of the world are deeply divided internally and increasingly polarized and violent. 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 ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land." 2 Chronicles 7:14 ESV
- 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 peoples of Afghanistan and Iran. Pray also for the host nations who have openly received thousands of refugees. May God grant them compassion and logistical wisdom in handling the inevitable issues raised by such a migration.