# Prayer Calendar | May 2020

Praise items and prayer requests coming from within ANiC, ACNA and the Anglican Communion for each day of this month.

1. As our Primate, Archbishop Foley Beach, and our diocesan, Bishop Charlie Masters, have urged us, let us **pray daily** asking **for God's intervention in the spread of the Coronavirus** 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 lovedones. Ask him to inspire and guide researchers who are desperately pursuing a viable vaccine.

**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. It is critical that we unite together in prayer.

2. Our diocese – 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.

**COVID-19:** Pray for **a great harvest** through the social media and online outreach of our individual parishes sharing Sunday services, Sunday School videos, weekly Bible studies, etc. Because of the pandemic, many are watching who otherwise would not be!

- 3. Our province and primate Pray for Archbishop Foley Beach (& Allison) as he gives godly leadership to the Anglican Church of North America (ACNA). Pray also for him as he embraces his strategic role as chairman of the Gafcon primates' council.
- 4. Pray for **Bishop Charlie Masters (& Judy)** as he leads ANiC. May God grant him the health, strength, discernment and the passion he needs for this heavy responsibility. Pray for protection for him from illness and fatigue. Pray for wisdom as he and the House of Bishops make decisions about the potential re-opening of churches. Grant him great zeal for the Gospel as he cares for the clergy and parishes in Canada and New England.
- 5. 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 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.
- 7. 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.

- 8. Pray for our **Missionary Bishop Andy Lines (& Mandy)**. Given the spiritual drift from orthodoxy of the Church of England and the Scottish Episcopal Church, his ministry to orthodox evangelicals is vital. Pray for wisdom, courage and protection from discouragement despite the difficult persecution that he faces on almost a daily basis. **COVID-19:** Pray for the National Health Service (NHS) in the UK and its front-line workers in their effort to care for the thousands impacted by the pandemic.
- ANIC's 5 Ministry Priorities Pray that God will use these five priorities to transform us and our parishes: Bold witnesses; Biblically grounded; Loving children & families; On mission; and Planting & Growing churches.
  COVID-19: Never have these 5 priorities been more important as we seek to reach a fearful and anxious culture for Jesus!
- **10. 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.

Please pray also for the **Reverend Creighton Friedrich** who begins today as rector of New Song Church in Port Perry, ON. May the Lord richly bless and anoint his ministry there.

- **11. ANiC 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.
- **12.** 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 & serve Him.
- **13. 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.

#### **14. ANiC's New England congregations** Holy Trinity (Marlborough, MA) Holy Trinity (Attleboro, MA) All Saints' (Rutland, VT) 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 (Quispamsis, NB) All Saints (Bonavista, NL) St. Matthew's (Gander, NL) **(recent)** 

# 16. ANiC congregations in Quebec

Emmaus (Montreal) St Timothy's (Montreal) St James (Lennoxville)

# 17. 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)

## **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)

# 20. ANiC congregations in Greater Toronto and eastern Ontario

St Chad's (Toronto) Celebration Church (Barrie) Christ The King (Toronto) New Song (Port Perry) Bethel South Asian (Brampton) Living Waters (Kingston) St James Fellowship (Trenton) St Stephen Anglican Fellowship (Napanee)

**21. Anglican Explorers** - Pray for the fruitfulness of this new 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.

#### 22. ANIC congregations in Saskatchewan & Manitoba Resurrection (Brandon, MB)

St Bede's (Kinosota, MB) Redeemer (Dauphin, MB) Saint Saviour's, (Lloydminster SK)

## 23. ANiC congregations in Alberta

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

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 project (formerly Houston and Smithers) **(recent)** 

# 25. ANiC congregations in the Vancouver area

St John's (Vancouver) Sojourn Church (UBC, Vancouver) St John's (Richmond) Immanuel Church (Vancouver) St Peter's Fireside (Vancouver) St Andrew's (Delta)

# 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)

# 27. ANiC congregations on Vancouver Island & Sunshine

**Coast** Open Gate Church (Victoria) Living Edge (Victoria) Church of Our Lord (Victoria) 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) as it is partnering with the Anglican Diocese of Egypt to help support the continued development of a Vocational Training Center in Giza, Egypt. The Vocational Training Center will enrol 144 students, both male and female, between the ages of 16 and 30. The life impact will also include 432 family members. In addition, 15 – 20 students will qualify for a small business loan to start a business.

- 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."
- 30. Pray for **the millions of refugees and internally displaced people worldwide**. Pray for persecuted Christians, especially in Muslim, communist and war-torn lands. May God grant them great courage and Gospelboldness in the face of such incredible adversity.
- 31. 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