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ELECTED BY CONVENTION:

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The Rev. Michael Lemons	2008
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Mr. Dennis Stark	2008

COMMITTEE ON CANONS: Canon 2, Sec. 4
The Rev. Cn. John Lawrence 2006
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Mr. Sydney Clifford 2007

COMMITTEE ON AGENDA: Canon 2, Sec. 5
The Chancellor (Ex-Officio)
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Ms. MaryAnn Kolakowski 2006
Ms. Susan Hurn 2007
Ms. Evelyn Brchan (for Elections)

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS: Canon 2, Sec. 6
The Rev. Dn. Iris Mello 2006
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The Comptroller (Ex-Officio)
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Ms. Victoria Escalera (Elected) 2006
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The Rev. Robert Brooks (Appt) 2007
Mr. Scott Nicholson (Appt) 2008
Ms. Shirley Sibielski (Elected) 2008

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The Rev. Dn. Linda Cappers 2006
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Ms. Gretchen Gammons	2007
The Rev. John Van Siclen	2008
The Rev. Pamela Mott	2008
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COMMISSION ON SUPPLEMENTARY BENEFITS: Canon 7, Sec. 7

The Comptroller (Ex-Officio)
The Assistant Treasurer (Ex-Officio)
The Rev. Everett Greene 2006
The Rev. Harrington Gordon, Jr. 2007
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Ms. Nancy R. Brown-Cobb 2008
The Rev. J. Daniel Burke 2009

COMMISSION ON CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT: Canon 7, Sec. 2(a)

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Mr. Robert Wells (Appt) 2007
The Rev. Pamela Mott (Appt) 2008 The Rev. Philip Tierney (Elect)
Mr. John Bilotta (Appt) 2008

CONVENTION ROLL OF CLERGY

	A	B	C	D
	Name	Date of entry	Diocese	Present
	Alexander, John D.	11/6/00	New York	
	Almon, Austin A. Jr	7/13/85	Rhode Island	
	Ames, David A.	2/1/69	Southern Ohio	*
	Anderson, Evangeline	6/18/94	Rhode Island	
	Andrews, Nigel L.	8/21/79	Massachuestts	
	Anthony, Henry F., II	7/1/94	East Tennessee	
	Anthony, Robert W.	6/1/88	W. Massachuestts	*
	Anthony, William S.	3/28/68	Kansas	
	Bailey, Patricia A.	6/24/95	Rhode Island	*
	Bardusch, Richard E., Jr.	9/12/02	Newark	
	Barnaby, Alcide, Jr.	6/24/68	Rhode Island	*
	Barry, Jean	7/13/85	Rhode Island	
	Belt, Donald F.	9/7/67	Central New York	*
	Besier, Bettine E.	8/1/97	Connecticut	*
	Blair, Rebecca H.	11/21/95	Massachuestts	
	Bocchino, James R.	6/23/84	Rhode Island	
	Bolles, Hébert W.	12/21/76	Indianapolis	
	Boucher, Edward C.	3/4/05	Massachusetts	*
	Bradner, Lawrence H.	3/7/77	South Dakota	*
	Broadhead, Janet	7/13/85	Rhode Island	
	Brooks, Robert T.	3/7/00	Ohio	*
	Burger, Douglas C.	1/24/95	Special List	
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	Burke, J. Daniel	2/19/78	Michigan	*
	Burlington, R. Craig	3/4/92	Newark	*
	Burton, Christine H.	3/28/92	Rhode Island	*
	Canavan, Mary A.	8/12/02	Oregon	*
	Cappers, Linda F.	6/24/95	Rhode Island	*
	Cargill, David C.	11/21/79	New Hampshire	
	Chadwick, Loring W.	6/15/57	Rhode Island	
	Chaplin, George M.	3/8/69	Rhode Island	
	Close, Leroy	1/19/05	New York	*
	Coburn, Michael C.	8/18/98	Connecticut	
	Cochran, A. Royston	9/20/73	Massachuestts	
	Cole, Elaine A.	6/26/93	Rhode Island	
	Cole, Gregory A. M.	12/6/95	Newark	*
	Collins, Judith T.	6/20/92	Rhode Island	*
	Conner, Ronald P.	9/14/81	Washington	

	Crowninshield, Susie C.	6/20/92	Rhode Island	*
	Cummings, Robert C.	5/16/83	Connecticut	
	DeCarvalo, Maria E. A.	6/23/90	Rhode Island	
	DePetrillo, Michael J.	6/18/94	Rhode Island	
	Desrosiers, Norman	6/14/80	Rhode Island	
	Devens, Philip	2/26/87	Massachuestts	*
	Dolan, Mary Ellen T.	6/24/95	Rhode Island	*
	Drake, Jo-Ann J.	2/1/93	Pennsylvania	*
	Duffy, Robert D.	11/1/66	New York	
	Fairman, Henry	2/2/82	Bethlehem	

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51	Field, Robert W.	2/4/89	Rhode Island	
52	Fischer-Davies, Clare	7/12/05	Southwest Virginia	*
53	Fraatz, William F.	12/5/00	Arizona	
54	Fraioli, Karen A.	6/18/94	Rhode Island	*
55	Franklin, Kenneth R.	2/1/69	Connecticut	*
56	Frink, James P.	6/20/59	Rhode Island	*
57	Galloway, Mark R.	12/10/94	Rhode Island	*
58	Gillespie, David M.	2/1/87	California	
59	Goldsborough, C. Neal	11/1/01	Virginia	
60	Gordon, Harrington M.	6/24/55	Rhode Island	
61	Green, Roy	8/19/94	Olympia	
62	Greene, Everett H.	9/13/60	Rochester	*
63	Gregory, Pamela	3/24/98	Chicago	*
64	Grinnell, Janice L.	3/16/91	Rhode Island	*
65	Gunn, Scott Alan	2/5/05	Rhode Island	*
66	Gutmann, Reinhart B.	3/3/77	Washington	
67	Haines-Murdocco, Sandra P.	9/21/94	Maryland	*
68	Hallenbeck, Edwin	7/13/85	Rhode Island	*
69	Harris, Marsue	2/18/83	California	*
70	Hastings, Donald L.	9/8/75	New York	
71	Hemenway, Augustus L.	10/23/61	Massachuestts	
72	Henthorne, Granville V.	1/23/74	Connecticut	
73	Hickox, Jean W.	4/5/86	Rhode Island	
74	Higbie, Margaret C. F.	6/23/90	Rhode Island	*
75	Hitt, Mary L.	4/13/95	Rhode Island	*
76	Hunt, Bishop George N.	3/1/80	California	
77	Jellison, Frederick K.	2/15/55	Michigan	*
78	Jencks, Jeffrey A.	4/5/86	Rhode Island	
79	Johnson, Ida R.	7/13/85	Rhode Island	
80	Johnson, Michaela M.	12/1/92	Western Massachusetts	

81	Koumrian, Paul S.	1/2/92	Massachuestts	
82	Kuehl, H. August	9/17/73	Rochester	
83	Laremore, Richard T.	6/20/54	Rhode Island	*
84	Lavallee, Donald A.	6/19/65	Rhode Island	
85	Lawrence, John E.	9/10/00	Southern Ohio	*
86	Lemery, Gary C.	8/19/83	California	*
87	Lemons, Michael W.	10/16/98	Nebraska	*
88	Lesieur, Betsy	7/13/85	Rhode Island	*
89	Locke, William R.	12/27/93	Rhode Island	
90	Manchester, Sean	11/16/92	Rio Grande	
91	Mason, Edward F.	2/1/57	Ohio	
92	Matott, Michele	11/22/92	Rhode Island	
93	Mauney, James Patrick	4/27/82	Sul Central Brazil	
94	Maynard, Alan P.	5/8/75	Maine	
95	Mays-Stock, Barbara L.	3/20/94	Rhode Island	
96	McShane, Joan Lyon	4/8/84	Rhode Island	
97	Mello, Iris E.	7/13/85	Rhode Island	*
98	Merchant, Livingston T.	5/10/77	Dallas	
99	Michaelson, Peter	3/26/93	Idaho	
100	Miller, Nancy F.	6/24/95	Rhode Island	

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101	Millette, Carol L.	4/5/86	Rhode Island	
102	Mills-Curran, Lorraine M.	9/1/91	Rio Grande	
103	Mitchell, Judith N.	6/26/93	Rhode Island	*
104	Morgan, Richard	1/5/94	Virginia	*
105	Mott, Pamela J.	12/1/04	Oregon	*
106	Neale, Alan Jr.	8/1/91	South Dakota	
107	Neale, Hedwig B.	6/23/90	Rhode Island	*
108	Neilsen, Eloise S.	2/4/89	Rhode Island	*
109	Nestor, Elizabeth M.	6/29/79	Rhode Island	*
110	North, Susan G.	3/16/91	Rhode Island	*
111	Nunley, Janet W.	12/10/94	Rhode Island	
112	Olmsted, Nancy K. Y.	12/19/94	New Hampshire	
113	Ostman, Jonathan J. D.	9/17/91	Massachuestts	
114	Payton, William R.	11/10/95	Atlanta	
115	Peckham, Ashley H.	6/27/70	Rhode Island	
116	Pedrick, Jennifer L.	6/13/98	Rhode Island	*
117	Pelletier, Ann D.	6/23/90	Rhode Island	
118	Penfield, Joyce	6/27/02	New Jersey	*
119	Perry, Cecilia C.	1/27/96	Rhode Island	*
120	Phillips, Jennifer M.	6/20/00	Missouri	*

121	Pickens, Paul G.	6/18/77	Rhode Island	
122	Prior, John Gregory	4/10/02	South Carolina	*
123	Rannenberg, Pamela L.	12/16/99	Virginia	*
124	Redding, Ann Holmes	6/18/83	Rhode Island	
125	Rice, Marshall T.	2/9/96	Newark	
126	Roberts, José Francisco	11/17/04	Puerto Rico	*
127	Rogers, John S.	2/21/84	Maine	
128	Ruffino, Russell G.	10/27/90	Rhode Island	*
129	Runner, P. Wayne	8/26/96	New Jersey	*
130	Ryan, David A.	6/18/60	Rhode Island	
131	Schneider, M. P.	3/28/92	Rhode Island	*
132	Schweinsburg, Jr., Richard	5/20/98	Albany	
133	Scott, Keith E.	6/28/65	Southern Ohio	
134	Sessions, Marcia A.	8/1/94	Virginia	
135	Shattuck, Gardiner H.	7/15/86	Massachuestts	
136	Shearer, Robert L.	11/1/81	California	
137	Shepherd, Patricia	2/29/04	Ohio	
138	Sherman, Elizabeth	6/30/99	New York	*
139	Shippee, Richard C.	6/14/75	Rhode Island	*
140	Shoemaker, H. Stephanie C.	3/16/91	Rhode Island	*
141	Shumaker, William N.	10/27/51	Rhode Island	
142	Simonian, Marlene	6/23/90	Rhode Island	
143	Simpson, Richard R.	8/26/97	Western Kansas	
144	Spencer, Peter L.	6/19/65	Rhode Island	*
145	Spulnik, Frederick J.	6/26/84	Massachuestts	
146	Stahl, Daryl W.	8/15/90	Iowa	*
147	Stenning, Gordon J.	6/24/55	Rhode Island	
148	Stiles, Susan	1/27/96	Rhode Island	*
149	Strahan, Linda C.	2/21/84	Virginia	*
150	Tarrant, Paul	2/23/95	Massachuestts	

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151	Tierney, Philip J.	1/31/05	North Carolina	*
152	Trafford, Edward J.	4/5/86	Rhode Island	
153	Turnbull, Henry G.	6/23/56	Rhode Island	
154	Twelves, Paul D.	12/17/96	Newark	*
155	Ulanowski, Paula H.	4/17/83	Rhode Island	
156	Van Siclen, John	9/9/99	Vermont	*
157	Vanderau, Robert J., Jr.	3/17/94	Central Florida	*
158	Verber, James L.	7/13/85	Rhode Island	
159	West, Jennifer	5/23/05	Maryland	*
160	Westthorp, Peter H. G.	6/24/68	Rhode Island	

161	Wheelock, L. Gail	2/4/89	Rhode Island	*
162	Willis, Nancy A.	6/15/96	Rhode Island	*
163	Winsor, Edward S.	6/7/58	Rhode Island	*
164	Wright, Elizabeth L.	2/4/89	Rhode Island	

CONVENTION ROLL 2005 Lay Delegates and Alternates

DEANERY I, CENTRAL

Deans: The Rev. Alcide Barnaby / Mr. Robert Goff

Centredale	St. Alban's	M.R. Pagano, James Segovis
Greenville	St. Thomas	
N. Providence	St. James	Lucy Betencourt, Daniel Harvey
N. Scituate	Trinity	Milton Schumacker, Diane Weels
Providence	All Saints' Memorial	Robert Frueh
Providence	Cathedral, St. John	Robert Fletcher
Providence	Epiphany	Cynthia Rollins
Providence	Messiah	Joan Melargno, Alice Smith
Providence	Grace	Marty Ames, Ann Dill, Spence Harber
Providence	St. Stephen's	Rhonda Croft, Richard Noble
Providence	St. Martin's	Bernadine Cunnigen, Elke Moonan, Gail Peet
Providence	St. Peter/St Andrew's	Kate Muir

DEANERY II, WEST BAY

Deans: The Rev. Philip Devens / Ms. Carol Drought

Coventry	Christ Church	Carol Drought, Keith Hudson
Coventry	St. Andrew/St Philip	William Sexton, Chad Tvenstrup, Harry Sacchetti
Coventry	St. Matthias'	Julie Nathanson, Frances Sturdavant
Cranston	Ascension	
Cranston	Transfiguration	
Cranston	St. David's-on-the-Hill	Paula Bolig, Penny Clarke
Cranston	Trinity	Scott Avedisian, William Caldwell, William Plumb
Warwick	All Saints'	Cheryl Flynn
Warwick	St. Barnabas	William Barker
Warwick	St. Mark's	Beverly Cannity, Vincent Haight, Roy Lautieri
Warwick	St. Mary's	Richmond Robinson, Michael Marsh

DEANERY III, BLACKSTONE

Deans: The Rev. Michael Lemons / Mr. Arthur Alarie

Alton	St. John's	Arthur Alarie, Ann Marie Alarie
Central Falls	St. George's	Eunice Avendano, Modesta Pellet
Cumberland	Emmanuel	David Bentley, John Gelati
Lincoln	Christ Church in Lonsdale	
Pascoag	Calvary	
Pawtucket	Advent	
Pawtucket	Good Shepherd	Franklyn Cook, Robin Paraiso
Pawtucket	St. Luke's	Jennifer Conrad, Barbara Stevenson
Pawtucket	St. Martin's	Michelle Callahan, Carol Marsland
Pawtucket	St. Paul's	Sandra Gildea, Margaret Noel, Carol Varden
Providence	Redeemer	
Woonsocket	St. James'	Phil Huntley, Catherine Thenault

DEANERY IV, EAST BAY

Deans: Mr. Richard Munro		
Barrington	St. John's	Stephen Johnston, James Tracy, Charlotte Tracy, Nancy Tripp
Barrington	St. Matthew's	Sally Easton, Penny Pearson
Bristol	St. Michael's	Nancy Babcock, Jeannie Crabtree, Candace Stanley
East Providence	St. Mary's	Kenneth Bridge, Richard Hauck
Riverside	St. Mark's	Linda Lawson, Jeanne Mason, Ellen Metcalfe
Rumford	St. Michael & Grace	Robert Bergstrand, Lawrence Fogarty
Warren	St. Mark's	Helen Hunt, Blanche Steiner

DEANERY V, AQUIDNECK

Deans: The Rev. Cn. John Lawrence / Ms. Mary Lyon		
Little Compton	St. Andrew's	William Barnum, Laura MacFall
Middletown	Holy Cross	
Middletown	St. Columba's Chapel	H. Ray Rogers, June Terry, Lois P. Rogers
Newport	Emmanuel	Jack Allan, Joann Ritchie
Newport	St. George's	Silvia Styles, Christine Winslow
Newport	St. John's	
Newport	Trinity	Jeremy Lawrence, Richard Mason, Bruce Livingston, B.M. Simpson
Portsmouth	St. Mary's	Tom Brown, Marshall Lundberg, Linda Drummond
Portsmouth	St. Paul's	
Tiverton	Holy Trinity	Alan Locke, Marilyn May

DEANERY VI, NARRAGANSETT

Deans: The Rev. Jennifer Phillips / Ms. Evelyn Brchan		
Alton	St. Thomas'	Barry Musto
Block Island	St. Ann's-by-the-Sea	
Charlestown	Holy Spirit	Bette Bemis, Doris Hanaford
East Greenwich	St. Luke's	Christine Boyaval, Jim Rezendes, Ron Clement, Sue Clement
Hope Valley	St. Elizabeth's	Harold Anderson
Jamestown	St. Matthew's	Suzanne Wheelock, Ralph Misto
Kingston	St. Augustine's Chapel	Nancy Brown, Jan Terry
Narragansett	St. Peter's-by-the-Sea	Verna Atwood, Pamela Dresselhouse, Diane Nobles
North Kingstown	St. Paul's	Richard Lewis, Ken MacDonald, Jane Tiernan-Reilly
Saunderstown	Chapel, St. John Divine	Gordon Morrison, Janice Post
Wakefield	Ascension	MaryAnn Golda, Karen Visich
Westerly	Christ Church	Virginia Bonk, William Graber, Paula Niedmann

**DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND
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215th ANNUAL CONVENTION**

The two hundred fifteenth meeting of the Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island began with a reception and dinner at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, October 28, 2005, at Rhodes on the Pawtuxet, Cranston. The theme for this year's Convention was ***Church Growth – Getting Real.***

Following dinner, Ms. Peggy Amatore, Director for Episcopal Charities, introduced the Hon. Scott Avedisian, honorary chairman of the Episcopal Charities Fund Drive for the past two years. He spoke of the tremendous work that Episcopal Charities has accomplished. Peggy then introduced the Bishop who announced that Scott Avedisian was the recipient of the Bishop Higgins award for his work with Episcopal Charities. Then, in a surprise move, the Bishop awarded another Bishop Higgins award to Peggy Amatore for her nearly 25 years as the Director of Episcopal Charities.

Bishop Wolf introduced the speaker for the evening, the Rev. Taylor Albright from the Diocese of Western Massachusetts who spoke on the subject of Congregational Development and Church planting.

Convention reconvened on Saturday, October 29, 2005 at 8:30 a.m. with a celebration of the Holy Eucharist. The preacher for the celebration was The Rt. Rev. David Joslin, Assisting Bishop.

Convention was called to order at 9:40 a.m. with prayer. The Chancellor noted that all clerical and lay delegates are entitled to voice and vote and that all Deputies to General Convention, all officers of the Diocese and all Chairs of Commissions of the Diocese are entitled to a seat and voice, but not a vote, unless they are otherwise members of the Convention. He also observed that the Convention is open to all persons unless otherwise ordered by Convention. He said that the Convention is governed by the Constitution, Canons, and Standing Rules of Order of this Diocese. He asked all speakers to identify themselves by giving their names and congregational affiliation. He further said that any "late resolution" should be given to Ms. Carol Ann Bennett, chair of the Committee on Resolutions.

The Secretary reported that there was a quorum present, at least one-third of the clergy were present and one-third of all parishes and missions were represented by at least one delegate. Ms. Deborah Musto then moved that the Agenda for the 215th Annual Convention be hereby approved as presented. The motion was passed.

Ms. Evelyn Brchan, chair of the Elections Committee, presented a slate of nominations for election:

Standing Committee: Clerical order. 4-year term

The Rev. Jennifer West.

The Rev. Canon John E. Lawrence.

Standing Committee: Lay order 4-year term

Mr. Franklyn Cook.

Ms. Virginia Chase was nominated from the floor.

Diocesan Council: Clerical order. 3-year term

The Rev. Daryl Stahl.

The Rev. Michael Lemons.

Diocesan Council: Lay order. 3-year term.

Mr. Dennis Stark.

Commission on Finance: 3-year term.

Mr. Harry Sacchetti.

Commission on Congregational Development: Clerical order. 3-year term.

The Rev. Gregory Cole.

Commission on Congregational Development: Clerical order. 2-year term.

The Rev. Philip Tierney.

Commission on Congregational Development: Lay order. 3-year term.

Mr. Richmond Robinson.

Deputy to Provincial Synod: Clerical order. 3-year term.

The Rev. Alcide Barnaby.

Deputy to Provincial Synod: Lay order. 3-year term.

Ms. Caryl Frink.

Since the number of nominees for Diocesan Council, Commission on Finance, Commission on Congregational Development, and Deputy to Provincial Synod equals the number of vacancies to be filled, Convention voted to declare those nominees elected. Convention then proceeded to vote for members of the Standing Committee.

The Bishop then introduced the seminarians of the Diocese as:

The Rev. M.P. Schneider, a middler at General Seminary.

Ms. Meaghan Kelley, a middler at Virginia Seminary

Ms. Susan Wrathall, a senior at General Seminary

Ms. Susan Carpenter, a junior at General Seminary.

Following that, she introduced those who are in the Deacon Formation Program:

Ms. Joan Collins from St. James', No. Providence.

Mr. Mark Warner from St. Paul's, No. Kingstown.

Mr. Robert Kerr from St. Peter's-by-the-Sea, Narragansett

Ms. Ricky Brightman from the Cathedral of St. John, Providence.

She then recognized the Diocesan Staff present at Convention and acknowledged the tremendous amount of work that they did in preparation for this Convention.

The Bishop welcomed clergy new to the Diocese since the last Convention:

The Rev. Ginny (Virginia) Dinsmore, Assistant at St. Mary's, Portsmouth.

The Rev. Deacon Buck (Leroy) Close, Assistant at St. Andrew's, Little Compton

The Rev. Clare Fischer-Davies, Rector of St. Martin's, Providence.

The Rev. Harry Krauss, interim Dean of the Cathedral, Providence.

The Rev. Allan Gates, Assistant at St. Paul's, No. Kingstown.

The Rev. Eletha Buote-Greig, Rector of St. James', Woonsocket.

The Rev. Marc Dobson, Rector of St. Mary's, Warwick.

The Rev. Terry (Teresa) Matthews, Vicar of St. Ann's, Block Island.

The Rev. Scott Gunn, Assistant at St. Michael's & Grace, Rumford and editor of *RISEN*.

The Rev. Peter Mayer, Rector, Emmanuel, Cumberland.

The Bishop called upon Ms. Merredythe Nadeau to present a report from the Commission on Congregational Development. In the course of her report she asked representatives of Emmanuel Church in Newport, Church of the Messiah of Providence, and Calvary Church in Pascoag to share with the Convention what has been happening in their congregations.

Next, a report on this year's Episcopal Youth Event from Ms. Catherine Thenault.

The Elections Committee brought in the report of the election for members of the Standing Committee. In the clerical order: ballots received: 197, needed to elect: 99. The Rev. Jennifer West 112, The Rev. Canon John Lawrence, 85. Jennifer West was declared elected. In the lay order: ballots received: 187, needed to elect: 94. Mr. Franklyn Cook, 120, Ms. Virginia Chase 67. Mr. Cook was declared elected. The Bishop thanked all of those who allowed their names to be put forward for nomination.

Ms. Sue Hurn and Mr. David Lavalley gave a report on the Episcopal Conference Center. Following this report there was a brief recess.

After the recess, Mr. Robert Bachelor, Treasurer of the Diocese, gave his report for the year 2004. At the end of this he moved that the financial statements of the Diocese of Rhode Island for the calendar year 2004 be hereby approved as presented. This was passed.

Ms. Caryl Frink and the Rev. Craig Burlington, Deputies to General Convention, gave a brief presentation about General Convention, looking forward to the meeting of General Convention in June of next year in Columbus, Ohio.

Convention then moved to hearing the Bishop's address. A copy of which follows these minutes.

The Rev. John Van Sieten addressed the Convention briefly about a fund for the support of seminarians in memory of the Rev. Steele W. Martin.

The Rev. Canon Robert Vandereau and Bishop Wolf took a moment to present a plaque and a gift to Mr. Edmund Bennett, the Chancellor, in recognition of his 25 years of service as Chancellor of the Diocese.

Noonday prayers and the reading of the Necrology followed. Convention then recessed for lunch.

Convention came to order again at 1:10 p.m. The Secretary read proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Episcopal Church which will be voted on at the next General Convention.

The Bishop introduced Dennis Bucco, a second year seminarian at Boston University.

Bishop Wolf then introduced Mr. James Segovis who reported on the Bridge Builders Report. He introduced the following resolution which came from the Diocesan Council.

Resolved: That the 215th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island hereby:

1. Commends the Bishop of Rhode Island for her leadership in calling for a Diocesan Study in her address to the 213th Annual Convention in 2003 to assess the leadership, systems and general health of the Diocese.
2. Commends the Standing Committee for advice and participation throughout the Diocesan Study and particularly President Laura E. MacFall for her leadership during this past year.
3. Commends the clergy and laity of the Diocese of Rhode Island for their participation in the Diocesan Study.
4. Commends the dedication and efforts of the members of the Bridgebuilder Action Planning Committee, particularly the Chair, James C. Segovis, for undertaking a review of the initial impressions of the consultant, Rev. Dr. Peter Steinke, and preparing a Report for consideration by the Bishop, Standing Committee, and Diocesan Council.
5. Adopts five strategic goals for the Diocese of Rhode Island as recommended by Diocesan Council to enhance faith communities through reconciliation and transformation as follows:

- a. Strengthen the covenant between the Bishop and Clergy
- b. Build a widespread, grassroots agreement on a mission and maintain a consistent focus in implementing it.
- c. Encourage the development of strong leadership and collegiality among clergy
- d. Enhance the Diocese's ability to successfully communicate and execute its strategy.
- e. Review, revitalize and recognize the Diaconate

6. Approves the New Directions Strategic Implementation Plan to prioritize and implement specific action steps to address the five strategic goals.

7. Approves the formation of a Task Force nominated by the Bishop and approved by the Diocesan Council to provide direction, counsel, and accountability for the New Directions Strategic Implementation Plan.

8. Approves and authorizes the Diocesan Council to undertake the management and implementation of the strategic goals and specific actions steps as outlined in the New Directions Strategic Implementation Plan with a report to the 216th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island.

It was moved to add “Establish and” to the beginning of section 5.a.. This was passed.

It was later moved to add the words “with the advice of the Standing Committee” to line 1 of section 7 following the words “nominated by the Bishop”. This was passed.

A further amendment was offered to add a section 5.f. to read, “Review, revitalize, and recognize the ministries of the laity.” This was passed.

The amended resolution was then voted on and passed. The final form then reads:

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- a. Establish and strengthen the covenant between the Bishop and Clergy
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 - e. Review, revitalize and recognize the Diaconate.
 - f. Review, revitalize, and recognize the ministries of the laity.
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On motions from the floor, the Rev. Barbara Mays-Stock was elected Secretary of Convention and Mr. Robert L.G. Bachelor was elected Treasurer of the Diocese.

The Diocesan Council presented names for the Commission on Investments for a three- year term:

Ms. Frances H. Roach-Gammell
 Mr. Robert A. Robinson
 The Rev. Gregory Cole.

Convention moved to elect them.

The Bishop then nominated names for a four-year term on the Ecclesiastical Court:

Ms. Joan Blair Skeffington - The Rev. Michael Lemons
 Convention moved to elect them.

Bishop Wolf presented for confirmation as members of the Commission on Ministry for a three-year term:

Ms. Beverly Hall
 Ms. Dorothy Wells
 The Rev. Pamela Mott.

Convention confirmed these as members for three years.

The Bishop then presented for membership on the Commission on Congregational Development for a three year term:

Mr. John Bilotta - The Rev. Pamela Mott

Convention confirmed these nominations.

Bishop Wolf nominated Mr. Edmund C. Bennett to be Chancellor of the Diocese for the next year and Convention confirmed this appointment.

In lieu of reading the minutes of Convention, the Bishop appointed the following persons to audit the minutes:

The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf

The Rt. Rev. David Joslin

Mr. Edmund C. Bennett.

The Bishop then called on Ms. Carol Anne Bennett, chair of the Committee on Resolutions.

She presented this resolution for consideration:

**PRAYER FOR THE ELECTION OF THE 26TH PRESIDING BISHOP
(Submitted by the Deputies and Alternates to General Convention)**

RESOLVED, That we commend the following prayer to all congregations and urge regular usage until the election of the Presiding Bishop in June, 2006:

“Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the hearts and minds of those who shall choose the 26th Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, that we may receive a faithful Chief Pastor and visionary Primate, who will proclaim the Gospel and lead us with wisdom; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen”

This was moved, seconded and passed.

She then offered this resolution:

LENTEN STUDY

**(Submitted by the Rev. Dn. Edwin Hallenbeck and the Rev. Dn. Hedwig Neale,
St. Luke's, East Greenwich:**

RESOLVED, That it is recommended for adult Lenten teaching, that all diocesan parishes and missions engage in a substantive course covering the Episcopal Church as Scripture, Tradition and Reason have historically provided, and as experience reveals, to us in today's church.

It was moved and seconded. After discussion, it was moved to amend the resolution by striking the word “Lenten”. This was passed and the resolution was passed as amended. The resolution then reads:

RESOLVED, That it is recommended for adult teaching, that all diocesan parishes and missions engage in a substantive course covering the Episcopal Church as Scripture, Tradition and Reason have historically provided, and as experience reveals, to us in today's church.

Mrs. Bennett then presented this resolution:

**MERGER OF THE CHURCH OF THE ADVENT AND THE CHURCH OF
THE GOOD SHEPHERD, PAWTUCKET**
(Submitted by the Rev. Edward Boucher, Church of the Good Shepherd,
Pawtucket)

RESOLVED, That this Diocesan Convention commends the vestries and members of the Church of the Advent, Pawtucket and the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket who have unanimously decided to merge their communities in order to further the mission and ministry of the Episcopal Church in Pawtucket; and pledges to support them with prayer as they maintain the name of the Church of the Good Shepherd and hold regular worship services in that parish.

It was moved, seconded and passed. A resolution titled "Open, Timely Availability of the financial reports of the Diocese" was withdrawn. Mrs. Bennett then offered this resolution:

SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY ACTIVITY FOR 2006
(Submitted by Dorothy Brightman, The Rev. Dn. Patricia Bailey, The Rev. Cn. Richard Bardusch, The Rev. Dn. Mary Hitt, The Rev. Joyce Penfield and The Rev. Peter Michaelson, Social Justice Ministries Committee.)

RESOLVED, That each parish be encouraged to engage in a new social justice ministry activity during the year 2006.

This was moved, seconded and passed.
The next resolution presented was:

ANTI-RACISM TRAINING
(Submitted by Dorothy Brightman, The Rev. Dn. Patricia Bailey, The Rev. Cn. Richard Bardusch, The Rev. Dn. Mary Hitt, The Rev. Peter Michaelson and The Rev. Joyce Penfield, Social Justice Ministries Committee.)

RESOLVED, That the Diocese mandate Anti-Racism Training for all professional staff and all lay and clergy leaders at all levels of the Church.

This was moved, seconded, and passed.
Mrs. Bennett presented this resolution:

AFFIRMATION OF THE WINDSOR REPORT
(Submitted by Michael Marsh, St. Mary's, Warwick)

RESOLVED, That the 215th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island calls upon the General Convention 2006 of the Episcopal Church of the United States of America (ECUSA) and the House of Bishops to affirm and comply with the recommendations of the Windsor Report of the Lambeth Commission, particularly with its clear affirmation that Lambeth 1.10 is the teaching of this Church and our Communion. We commit this Diocese to walk the path of repentance and

reconciliation leading to deeper communion and fellowship with the wider Anglican Communion, including the creation of The Anglican Covenant proposed in the Windsor Report.

The Rev. David Ames then offered a substitute resolution.

SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION FOR RESOLUTIONS VII, VIII, IX, AND X:

RESOLVED, That this 215th Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island, in concert with our neighboring Diocese of Connecticut, affirms the core values of the Episcopal Church, as expressed through:

- A community and culture which provides a loving and safe place for people of good will from a wide spectrum of political, social and theological beliefs to express their views, tell their stories, be respected and heard;
- A Christian community for which worship is central, and Holy Communion the act which connects us and unifies us into the Body of Christ in our community, our region, the nation, and the world; .
- A dynamic Christian community that carries on the missionary work of the church in our communities, the region, the nation, and the world; and be it further

RESOLVED, That along with the Diocese of Connecticut, we call upon the parishes of the Diocese of Rhode Island “to engage in a period of intentional study and corporate consideration of the differing points of view which threaten to divide us, specifically issues regarding scriptural and ecclesial authority, that we may prayerfully and in good order discern God’s will for our common life.”

After debate, it was moved to rename the Substitute Motion as “Resolution of Solidarity with the Diocese of Connecticut.” This was seconded and passed.

After further debate the Substitute resolution was tabled and subsequently the original resolution was also tabled.

Mrs. Bennett then presented this resolution:

**UPHOLDING THE HISTORIC CHRISTIAN FAITH
(Submitted by Michael Marsh, St. Mary’s, Warwick)**

RESOLVED, That the 215th Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island proclaims the divinity and Lordship of Jesus Christ, who alone provides the means of salvation, and that all Christians, as well as councils of the Church, are called to be obedient to the teachings of standards of Christ and be it further

RESOLVED, That this Convention re-affirms Holy Scripture as the foundation of authority in our Church; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this Convention upholds the historic Christian faith as set forth in the 39 Articles of Religion; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this Convention affirms that the statements known as the Chicago-Lambeth Quadrilateral of 1886, 1888, as set forth in the 1979 Book of Common Prayer, continue to be true and accurate statements of the faith and policy of this Church, and the Anglican Communion.

This was moved and seconded. After debate it was asked to amend the resolution by striking the third Resolve. This was accepted by the submitter as a friendly amendment. The Rev. JoAnn Drake then moved to strike everything following the words “Jesus Christ” in the first Resolve. This was seconded and passed. The amended resolution then was passed. The final form of the resolution then read:

RESOLVED, That the 215th Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island proclaims the divinity and Lordship of Jesus Christ.

The next resolution to be presented was:

**COMMITMENT TO REMAIN IN THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION
(Submitted by Michael Marsh, St. Mary’s, Warwick)**

RESOLVED, That should the actions of the Episcopal Church of the United States of America (ECUSA) cause it to “walk apart” from all or a portion of the Anglican Communion, the Diocese of Rhode Island desires, and will take positive steps, to remain a part of the Anglican Communion.

The resolution was tabled.

Mrs. Bennett then offered this resolution:

**AFFIRM AUTHORITATIVE TEACHING OF ANGLICAN COMMUNION
ON HUMAN SEXUALITY (LAMBETH 1.10, LAMBETH 1998)
(Submitted by Michael Marsh, St. Mary’s, Warwick)**

RESOLVED, That the 215th Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island rejects and repents of decisions made by General Convention 2003 that represent a departure from the historic Christian faith and practice of Anglicanism on matters of human sexuality; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this Convention affirms Lambeth 1.10 as the authoritative teaching on human sexuality within the Anglican Communion that “in view of the teaching of Scripture, upholds faithfulness in marriage between a man and a woman in lifelong union, and believes that abstinence is right for those who are not called to marriage; while rejecting homosexual practice as incompatible with Scripture, calls on all our people to minister pastorally and sensitively to all irrespective of sexual orientation and to condemn irrational fear of homosexuals, violence within marriage and any trivialization and commercialization of sex; cannot advise the legitimizing or blessing of same sex unions nor ordaining those involved in same gender unions,” and be it further

RESOLVED, That this Convention, as the fruit of repentance and as a desire to conform to Anglican teaching, will call for the immediate cessation of any blessings of same sex unions, or ordinations of those in such unions, in every diocese of the Episcopal Church; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this Convention calls upon the General Convention 2006 to do the same.

On motion from the floor, this resolution was tabled.

Mrs. Bennett then presented a “late resolution” for consideration by Convention.

RECOVERY SUNDAY

(Submitted by Cindy Thomsen, Chair of Recovery Ministries, St. John’s, Barrington.)

RESOLVED, that the congregations of the Diocese be encouraged to observe one Sunday during the month of November as Recovery Sunday in observance of the church’s care and concern for those affected by alcoholism, drug dependence and other additive illnesses; and that the educational materials, Recovery Sunday Eucharistic liturgy and other resources prepared by the Diocesan Recovery Ministries Commission be made available to all congregations.

Convention moved to accept it for consideration after which it was passed as presented.

The committee on Resolutions then moved to the Courtesy Resolutions, presented by Mrs. Bennett and by Mr. Geoff Milner.

RESOLVED, that the 215th Diocesan Convention expresses its gratitude to the Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf for her ministry as Bishop and assures her of our affection, support and prayers, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Convention expresses its appreciation to the Rt. Rev. David B. Joslin, Assisting Bishop of Rhode Island, for his ministry among us, and congratulates him on his recent honorary doctoral degree from Virginia Seminary, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Convention extends its greetings and prayers to our Presiding Bishop, the Most Reverend Frank T. Griswold, III, and to the Most Reverend Rowan Williams, Archbishop of Canterbury, as they continue to strive for reconciliation in the Anglican Communion, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Convention extends greetings of affection and prayers to the Rt. Rev. George N. Hunt, retired bishop of the Diocese of Rhode Island, and his wife Barbara, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Convention sends greetings to Bishop Thomas J. Tobin and to our sisters and brothers in Christ in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence, assuring them of our continuing prayers and appreciation for their ministry in our state, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Convention extends its appreciation to the Rev. Taylor Albright, and thanks him for his words of wisdom on church planting last night, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Convention congratulates the Rev. Nigel Andrews on the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood, and the Revs. David Ryan, Ken Franklin and Daryl Stahl on the 45th anniversary of their ordinations to the priesthood, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Convention expresses its gratitude to Mr. Edmund Bennett, for his twenty-five years of careful and loyal service as Chancellor of our Diocese and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Convention expresses its appreciation and support to the parishes participating in the Learning Community program, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Convention expresses its thanks once again to the Episcopal Church Women for their ministry of hospitality and efficiency in assisting with registration and elections at this Convention, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Convention expresses its appreciation to the members of the Bishop's staff for their careful work in preparation for this Convention and for their faithful ministry to all of us and for our Diocese.

The Bishop then closed the 215th Convention with prayers and a blessing.

The 216th Annual Convention will be held on October 27-28, 2006, at Rhodes on the Pawtuxet, Cranston.

Convention adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

BISHOP'S ADDRESS TO CONVENTION 2005

My dear friends, this is my tenth address as the Bishop of Rhode Island. In February, 2006, the anniversary of my ordination and consecration, I will have served amongst you for ten years. On that glorious day in 1996, I had no idea of the amount of faith, devotion and time it takes to be a bishop. I am deeply grateful to those of you who have supported me in this holy labor and who, in very real ways, have been the backbone of prayer and ministry in our diocese. "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God whose consolation never fails us!" (2 Cor. 1:3) It is to God that we give praise and glory, the One who consoles us, supports and comforts us, and by whose Holy Spirit enflames our desire for the work of the Gospel.

Through God's gifts of consolation our common mission as a diocese has offered support, spiritual growth and relief to those in our diocese, state, and country.

+ **Episcopal Charities** has given \$500,000 this year in support of over 100 diocesan and state programs and agencies. In addition, Charities gave a special gift of \$53,000 to the three dioceses hurt by hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Hundreds of Episcopalians throughout our diocese came together to do an important and faithful mission that none of us could do alone. Just yesterday, I learned that our contributions to Episcopal relief and Development are way over \$100,000.

+ Do you remember that day in May when over a thousand people squeezed into Grace Church for the Confirmation and Reception of over 200 people? With the **Presiding Bishop** making his official visitation, and our priests and deacons standing throughout the whole liturgy, having given their seats to others, there was a wonderful sense of being the church.

+ Did you attend the **Diocesan Convocation** in February, when over 200 people met at Rhode Island College to take morning and afternoon classes to increase their knowledge of the faith, and to gain skills for ministry?

+ Last year I spoke about **Hispanic ministry**, centered at St. George's Church, Central Falls. Very recently The Church of the Messiah became the site for a Sunday afternoon

Eucharist, celebrated by Fr. Jose, our Hispanic Missioner. Already, there is a core group of 25 worshipers, and visitors are beginning to find their way to the Church. To increase growth and outreach, Hispanic Ministry needs a part time secretary and another full-time priest.

You may not be aware of these and many other activities sponsored by the diocese. With Scott Gunn, our part-time Diocesan Communications Officer, we are investigating ways to enhance **communications**. I read somewhere that if you want to reach people you have to have seven different ways of communicating your message. Now, this will be a challenge.

Results of a national survey by the Episcopal Church asked each diocese: “If money were no object, what three missionary ventures would you like to pursue as a diocese?” The answer in the order given was: Congregational Development, a Camp and Conference Center, and Hispanic Ministry. I’m delighted that through apportionment and other resources we have all these and more.

Now, let me turn to **Congregational Development**, our theme for this Convention.

First, my gratitude to the people of the Churches of the Advent and Good Shepherd, who have decided to merge their two congregations. While some may think this is no reason to rejoice, the people of both churches and their priests are overwhelming joyful and expectant. Yes, there is sadness in closing the Advent, but both churches have exciting plans and expectations for their new life together and for mission in their section of Pawtucket. Congratulations to the people of Advent who courageously and unanimously decided that the Gospel is more important than the struggle to survive. And congratulations to the people of Good Shepherd who realized that with more people and shared resources their mission in Pawtucket would be revitalized. As a member of the vestry of the Advent said, “Church is not about buildings. It’s about doing Christ’s work.” With many parishes focused on meeting budgets and saving buildings, these two churches shine as lights upon the lamp-stand.

Several years ago, Diocesan Council adopted a resolution stating that the mission of the diocese of Rhode Island is to “focus its resources towards strengthening our faith

communities in the work of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the ministries of the baptized.” I believe that these two churches exemplify this mission.

It is clear that we need to communicate our mission statement with greater clarity and robustness, but its truth remains. The most significant ministry occurs in the local church. Diocesan level mission is important, but I am convinced that local congregations are more effective at proclaiming the good news of God’s kingdom. Our work is not only to meet the physical needs, but also the spiritual hunger this is everywhere present in our world.

As you may know, church membership among mainline protestant denominations has been in decline since 1965. Every one of the nine provinces in the Episcopal Church lost members in 2003, the last year for which statistics are available. In fact, only thirteen of the 100 dioceses in our country have gained members. The Diocese of Rhode Island has also lost members, but I believe that there is very real hope for us.

Rhode Island has one of the highest rates of baptism of any diocese of our size: 643 children and 44 adults. But, where are these new Christians? One of our key challenges is to keep people in church after baptism, and to minister to them and their families. In addition to 687 baptisms, 226 people were confirmed and received. All told, over eight hundred people received Rites of Initiation. If even half came regularly to church, nursery or Sunday School, we would be the only growing diocese in New England, and the fifth fastest growing diocese in the country. Jesus said to the twelve, “Go to the lost sheep.” (Matthew 10:6). He was talking about the lost sheep of Israel, but we have the lost sheep of Rhode Island. I’m not referring to those who left the church for one reason or another years ago, but those who as recently as two years ago made a spiritual commitment to God and to the Church. During the liturgy the congregation was asked, “Will you support these persons in their life in Christ?” You answered, “We will.” So, one of the first steps to congregational growth is evangelizing those you already know.

These statistics reveal that we have tremendous potential. Our growth is possible, achievable, and we have the resources to make it a reality: you.

I want to say one more thing about congregational development that I’ve mentioned in almost every convention address. Christian education/formation is essential for adults.

If our goal is to share our faith, and prod the new sheep, we need to know what we believe and how to share it with others. I am strongly inviting you to go to the parish hall after the Eucharist, taking your coffee and snacks to a table, and spending at least 30 minutes each Sunday in Christian formation. What makes you a follower of Christ in the Episcopal/Anglican tradition? The **Diocesan Resource Center** has great materials for you to borrow. You'll be much better informed. Your confidence in sharing the faith will increase, and you'll get to know other members of the church much more deeply than is possible at a regular coffee hour. Remember your confirmation class may have been excellent, but you're not fourteen any more.

All of this is good news, and our future is hopeful. After lunch, Dr. James Segovis will present the **Bridgebuilders Report** assessing the life and ministry of our diocese, and commending ways to enrich our life. Eighteen people, representing different opinions and churches, met regularly over the course of two years to listen to concerns expressed by those who voluntarily participated in a series of meetings. Dr. Segovis will explain the process, but it is my privilege to offer sincere gratitude to the members of the committee, and to Dr. Segovis, the Chair.

I confess to you, that the parts of the Bridgebuilders' Report that criticized my ministry were painful to hear. However, life has taught me not to become fixated on my sins or the sins and shortcomings of others. Though I think that I've made progress, I am well aware that I'm still a sinner. It is through God's grace that I am not a slave to sin. And since we have all come short of God's glory there is some consolation in knowing that I am not alone.

Paul's second letter to the Church in Corinth brings hope to all of us: "For anyone united to Christ, there is a new creation: the old order has gone: a new order has already begun. All this has been the work of God. He has reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has enlisted us in this ministry of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors. ...we implore you in Christ's name, be reconciled to God!" (2Cor.5:17, NRSV)

In the end, it is reconciliation in Christ that sets us free. I am enormously encouraged by the suggestions for action that the report conveys, and the decision of Diocesan Council to vigorously prioritize and implement the ideas expressed in the report. I am very

supportive of their work, and gladly look forward to participating with them in a task-centered process that will enhance the health and vitality of our diocese. With the support and encouragement of the Standing Committee, our first goal is reconciliation.

As a member of the Anglican Communion and the Episcopal House of Bishops, I continue to experience the tension inherent in the issues facing our Episcopal Church and Anglican Communion. In both our Diocese and the Church at large, the challenge of reconciliation is strong. I think we all realize that in the visible church there is imperfection, sin, and internal conflicts on every level. The visible Church includes sinners and saints, wheat and weeds, good fish and bad fish. So one thing that we must accept as our reality, is that anxiety and division in the church visible is inevitable. Whenever two or three are gathered together, there may be trouble! But I invite you to think of another church, the church mystical, whose membership is determined by Christ. It is he who does the sorting at the end of time, and whose judgment we trust. St. Augustine warned the church when he said, “They went off because they set their idea of perfection above unity. And that is why everything else is empty.” Indeed, we are being stretched unlike anything since the early councils of the Church and the Reformation, yet, we are called to be ever-faithful in our quest for unity. Unity does not mean that we arrive at some imaginary point where we hold the same opinions and beliefs, but that we honor our common life in Christ.

Forgiveness and reconciliation are costly and complex enterprises, when different ideas and temperaments live in the same house. While we desire quick answers, reconciliation is an evolutionary undertaking. It is neither expedient nor cheap. The cost of reconciliation requires new ways of collaboration that call everyone to modify their previous judgments regarding the other, without having to alter their deepest held beliefs. It is a sharing of perceptions, which may or not may not be true. It is a call to move beyond gossip, fixation and extended blows. The source of conflict is a layered reality. It’s not just one event or one person. It always contains sin and sometimes is the work of the Evil One. The presenting issue may be addressed and mediated, but the real challenge is to uncover the veiled layers that are the cause of systemic bottleneck. As Jesus taught us, we are not to throw stones at the sinner, but to acknowledge our own sin and be reconciled to God. (John 8:2ff) In the end, Christian reconciliation is “not simply a matter of giving each person their due but is really to give God “God’s” due, by building a world

and a Church that God's all-embracing forgiveness demands." (Philip Sheldrake, *A Spirituality of Reconciliation*. Oxford University, professor and author)

First and foremost we are called to be reconciled to God. It is out of this reconciliation with Christ that we are given the grace to be reconciled to one another.

If now is a time of conflict and darkness in our Communion, and I dare say in our families, parishes and diocese, then let us turn to Jesus, the light shining in the darkness. If Christians cannot build a road to reconciliation, what do we have to offer to communities and nations at war, and millions of children dying from AIDS related diseases. If we cannot move from petty squabbles, the plank in our own eye will overtake our vision.

Later in this convention, we will address a resolution asking for our support for the Windsor Report. Remember, it is not legislation, but a document that awakens us to the demands of unity at this time in the life of our Anglican Communion. It begs us to ask what are the limits of difference in the church, is it possible to maintain bonds of affection, and what models of authority may be necessary as our church continues to become an international community. The authors of the report represented a broad spectrum of theological opinion, and each had to make compromises to arrive at the report they unanimously endorsed. Regardless of the outcome of the vote today, I commend every congregation to study the Report before General Convention so that you may become familiar with the concerns of the wider Communion, and the place of the Episcopal Church in these deliberations.

When we received the sacrament of the Eucharist this morning, we were not primarily a community of likeable people. We gathered as a community of sinners, forgiven and humbled to receive Christ's very Body and Blood. All of us spend much time looking in the wrong direction. When our focus is on Christ's beauty we begin to see his reflection in the faces of others.

Christ of the Eucharist "nourishes us with living bread, and converts us to become a loving people." (paraphrase, Pope Benedict XVI, Homily at the Close of the Year of the Eucharist).

I pray that God's love will lead us into the reconciliation that we cannot find on our own. I pray for our diocese, that we may embrace the baptized and confirmed, and nurture them in the faith. I pray for courage and faithfulness for those parishes and missions who are weighed down by many cares that the Holy Spirit may lead them to discover creative and imaginative ways to reinvigorate their ministry. I give thanks for the profound dedication of my staff, whose labors cannot be numbered, remembering especially Ron Turnbull who celebrated his 65th birthday this year.

My dear friends, I am very grateful for your love and affection, and re-dedicate myself to the ministry we share. We have much work to do in the name of the one who redeems and saves humanity. On our own it would be impossible, with Jesus we work under the gift of sacred grace. Amen.

Necrology

In particular at this time we remember the following persons, deceased during this past year, who have meant so much to us and to their several congregations. May the souls of these faithful departed rest in peace, O Lord.

Margaret Wilkinson
Dr. H. Gerald Rock
Rose Marie Dexter
Dorothy Emerson
Edith Woolsey Nutt
George Wightman Williams
Richard Aldrich
Carolyn Bellows
A. Clinton Ogden, Jr.
Barbara Brehio
Cheryl Joubert
Everett Duarte
Ella Frances Gregory
Capt. Richard Coogan
Edie Loeb
Margaret L. Moody
Betty Chase
Lori Corbishley
John Jopson
David Atkinson
Janet Becker
Rhonda Corbiel
Virginia Jones
Marie Latina
Helen Pratt
Eugene Repos
Ann Robinson
Elizabeth Turner
Marie West
William McKenzie
Eleanor Rose McKenzie
Neil David Jackson
Albert Lloyd Brady
Marguerite Boyd Stelljes
Joan A. Landry
Martin Brooks Shedd
Rebecca E. Tildesley
Guy Sage Danforth
George Hugh Montgomery
Linda J. Conley
James C. Tourgee, Sr.
Florence J. McPherson
Elizabeth Dexter

James Farrow
Marion Nuttall
J. Calvert Steere
George Street
Margaret Crawford
Nancy Williamson
Marjorie Young
Mary Abatuno
Ellen Hagg
Sven Nelson
Ann Blowey
Christina Whatmough
Gladys Poole
John E. Hauser, Sr.
Margaret Mertz
Harriet Boyle
Anne R. Wiggins-Hicks
Dolores Vivian Best
Helen Marion Feeney
George Seiffert
Norman Worthington
Mae Danella
Vera Behm
Annie Elizabeth Snitg
Henry J. Fogue
Ruth Westall
Virginia Catton
Helen Raleigh
Rosalind Wiggins
Mildred Ochs (pron: oaks)
Mary Burkhardt
Charles Carpenter Plumb
Laura Nelson Barnes
Nellie Stephenson
Helen Coy Lathrop
Leon R. Millis, Sr.
Patricia Verdier
Gerald Thurber
Muriel Gill
Gordon E. Bowen
Thomas Rhodes, Jr.
John Waddington
Hazel K. Edwards

Gretchen R. Parrillo
Myron L. Eastwood
Arthur Aiello
Rita Aiello
Bernice Freelove
George Teck
Dorothy Jones
Clyde Bertrand
George H. Bond
Olive Burrows
Phyllis E. Ewing
Hildegard J. Vogel
Eleanor Burns
Mary Anthony
Jack Richardson
Grace Richardson
Ed Tully
Martha Gardner
Bernice Siney Kleven
The Rev. Steele W. Martin
The Rev. James Carey
The Rev. John Cranston
The Rev. Joseph Dickson

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ALTON

St. Thomas', 322 Church St. (P.O. Box 33) 02894-0033; *V.* The Rev. Bettine Besier; *Sr. Wd.* Mary Hafey, 7 Hoxsie Rd., Richmond, 02892; *Tr.* Robert Hafey, 7 Hoxsie Rd., Richmond, 02892; *Cl.* Carol Brown, 729 W. Beach Rd., 02813.

ASHTON

St. John's, 1505 Mendon Rd., (P.O. Box 7155) Cumberland, 02864; *R.* The Rev. Jeffrey A. Jencks; *Asst.* The Rev. Mary Hitt; *Sr. Wd.* Paul Bousquet, 200 Heroux Blvd #501, Cumberland, 02864; *Jr. Wd.* Mike Robertson, 50 Mohawk St., Cumberland, 02864; *Tr.* Sharon Buttrick, 849 Mt. Hope St., No. Attleboro, MA 02760; *Cl.* Susan Gamache, 33 Nate Whipple Hwy, Cumberland, 02864.

BARRINGTON

St. John's, 191 County Road 02806; *R.* The Rev. C. Neal Goldsborough; *Priest-in-Charge:* The Rev. David Greer; *Sr. Wd.* Charlotte Tracy, 20 Monkey Wrench Lane, Bristol, 02809; *Jr. Wd.* James Tracy, 11 Fairfield Rd., 02806; *Tr.* Andrew Faulkner, 12 Viall's Drive, 02806; *Cl.* Larson Gunness, 2 Hope Court, 02806.

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BLOCK ISLAND

St. Ann's-By-The-Sea, P.O. Box 622, 02807; *V.* The Rev. M. Teresa Matthews; *Sr. Wd.* Rebecca Ballard, P.O. Box 545, 02807; *Jr. Wd.* Patsy Easterly, 3 Newton Pl., Sturbridge, MA, 01566; *Tr.* Henry Hill, 22 Heritage Ln. Weston, CT 06883.

BRISTOL

St. Michael's, 399 Hope St., (P.O. Box 414), 02809; *Interim* The Rev. W. David Dobbins, Jr.; *Asst.* The Rev. Janice Grinnell; *Sr. Wd.* John Reskusich, 51 Michael Dr., 02809; *Jr. Wd.* Kevin Handley, 6 Cherry Lane, 02809; *Tr.* John Corbishley, 3 Avenir Ct., 02809; *Cl.* Gail Storms, 32 Anchorage Ct., 02809.

CENTREDALE

St. Alban's, 1964 Smith Street 02911; *R.* The Rev. Evangeline (Becky) Anderson; *Sr. Wd.* Christopher Martel, 11 Teakwood Drive, Johnston, 02919; *Jr. Wd.* Richard Shurtleff, 75 Dean Ave., #2, Smithfield, 02917; *Tr.* Debra Connors, 7 Setian Circle, Johnston, 02919; *Cl.* Barbara Barber, 1017 Victory Highway, No. Smithfield 02896.

CENTRAL FALLS

St. George's, 12 Clinton St. 02863; *R.* The Rev. José F. Roberts; *Asst.* The Rev. Ann Pelletier; *Sr. Wd.* Modesta Pellet, 35 Goff Ave., #205, Pawtucket, 02860; *Jr. Wd.* Ciro Amaya, 8 Bellview St., 3F, 02863; *Tr.* Andrew Ditson, 1491 Smithfield Ave., Lincoln, 02865; *Cl.* Iris Castañeda, 1133 Lonsdale Ave., 02863.

CHARLESTOWN

Church of the Holy Spirit, 4150 Old Post Road, P.O. Box 241, 02813.

Interim The Rev. Susan Stiles; *Sr. Wd* John Bilotta, 84 Arbutus Trl, 02813; *Jr. Wd* Lora Cobden, 11 Stumpy Pt. Ln, 02813; *Tr.* Joanne Bilotta, 84 Arbutus Trl, 02813.

COVENTRY

Christ Church, 132 Peckham Lane, (P.O. Box 142) 02816; *V.* The Rev. Elizabeth A. Sherman; *Sr. Wd.* Carol Drought, 22 Sweetwater Drive, 02816; *Jr. Wd.* Bruce Seelenbrandt, 123 Reservoir Rd., 02816; *Tr.* Mary Ann Mello, 6 Stony Hill Circle, 02816; *Cl.* Lois Tallman, 114 Reservoir Rd., 02816.

St. Andrew & St. Philip 170 Fairview Avenue, 02816; *R.* The Rev. Mark R. Galloway; *Sr. Wd.* Harry Sacchetti, 25 Patton St., 02816; *Jr. Wd.* Lois Whitman, 42 Ray St., 02816; *Tr.* John Collins, 400 Narragansett Pkwy, #EF2, Warwick; *Cl.* Linda Jones, P.O. Box 162, Hope, 02831.

St. Matthias, 1395 Nooseneck Hill Road, (P.O. Box 254) 02816; *V.* The Rev. Richard Morgan; *Sr. Wd.* Tonia Perra, 7 Walnut Hill Rd., 02816; *Jr. Wd.* James LeBlanc, 115 Beechwood Hill Tr., Exeter, 02822; *Tr.* Dennis Sturdavant, 97 Station St., 02816; *Cl.* Eileen LaBlanc, 115 Beechwood Hill Tr., Exeter, 02822.

CRANSTON

Church of the Ascension, 390 Pontiac Avenue 02910-3322; *Sr. Wd.* F. Leon Sibielski, 133 Sagamore Rd., 02920; *Jr. Wd.* Arthur D. Martone, 109 Potter St., 02910; *Tr.* Richard Burlingame, 1342 Pippin Orchard Rd., 02921;

St. David's-on-the-Hill, 200 Meshanticut Valley Parkway, 02920; *R.* The Rev. Nancy A. Willis; *Sr. Wd.* Lois Bogda, 80 Bateman Ave., 02920; *Jr. Wd.* Fred Jaggi, 25 Olney Arnold Rd., 02921; *Tr.* Lorena Dodge, 49 Sherman Ave., 02920; *Cl.* Patricia Comella, 94 Normandy Drive, 02920.

Church of the Transfiguration, 1665 Broad Street 02905; *R.* The Rev. Dr. Gary Lemery; *Asst.* The Ven. Margaret C. F. Higbie; *Sr. Wd.* Russell Barrie, 173 Ferncrest Ave., 02905; *Jr. Wd.* Sheila Palmer, 45 Osceola Ave., Warwick, 02888; *Tr.* Edward C. Ernst, 58 Briarcliffe Rd., 02910; *Cl.* Suzanne Gautreau-Blakely, 67 Valley Brook Dr., East Prov., 02914.

Trinity Church, 139 Ocean Avenue, 02905-3628; *R.* The Rev. P. Wayne Runner; *Sr. Wd.* Philip James, 100 Kristen Court, Warwick, 02888; *Jr. Wd.* Robert Geoffrey, 122 Ashley St., 02920; *Tr.* Jeanne Knowles, 118 Post Rd., Warwick, 02888; *Cl.* Lynn Miner, 45 Winthrop Road, Warwick, 02888.

CUMBERLAND

Emmanuel, 120 Nate Whipple Highway, 02864; *R.* The Rev. Peter Mayer; *Sr. Wd.* Patricia Jackson, 25 Owen Dr., 02864; *Jr. Wd.* Steve Acello, 6 Douglas Dr., 02864; *Tr.* John Gelati, 6 Marywood Lane, 02864; *C.* Elaine Freund, 188 Mattity Rd., No. Smithfield, 02896.

EAST GREENWICH

St. Luke's, 99 Pierce St., (P.O. Box 334) 02818-0334; *R.* The Rev. Dr. R. Craig Burlington; *Assts.* The Rev. Hope Eakins, The Rev. William Eakins; *Sr. Wd.* Christine Boyaval, 90 Fox Run, 02818; *Jr. Wd.* James J. Rezendes, 108 John Scott Ln., No. Kingstown, 02852; *Tr.* J. Thompson Hiller, 20 Stone Ridge Drive, 02818; *Cl.* Cynthia Fogarty, 100 Kenyon Ave., 02818.

EAST PROVIDENCE

St. Mary's, 81 Warren Ave., 02914; *Interim* The Rev. Ashley Peckham; *Sr. Wd.* Gordan Hubbard, 73 Marnoch, Seekonk, MA 02771; *Jr. Wd.* Kenneth Bridge, 30 Rosewood Dr., Seekonk, MA 02771; *Tr.* Beverly Edwards, 28 Winthrop St., Seekonk, MA 02771; *Cl.* Linda St. Hilaire

GREENVILLE

St. Thomas' 1 Smith Street (P.O. Box 505), 02828; *R.* The Rev. Michele L. Matott; *Asst.* The Rev. Susan J. North; *Sr. Wd.* Rhonda B. Kehoe, 140 Evans Road, Chepachet, 02814; *Jr. Wd.* Patricia McDermott, 95 King Philip Circle, Warwick, 02888; *Tr.* Kevin Kehoe, 140 Evans Road, Chepachet, 02814; *Cl.* Kimberly Murdoch, 67 Austin Ave., 02828.

HOPE VALLEY

St. Elizabeth's; 63 Canonchet Road (P.O. Box 48) 02832; *V.* The Rev. Robert Cummings; *Sr. Wd.* David Hearty, 60 Cedarwood Lane, 02832; *Jr. Wd.* Cheryl Remsbecker, 38 Cedarwood Lane, 02832; *Tr.* Robert Olsen, 15 Brook Drive, 02832; *Cl.* Melanie Newett, P.O. Box 1116, 02832.

JAMESTOWN

St. Matthew's, 87 Narragansett Avenue (P.O. Box 317) 02835-0317; *Interim.* The Rev. Stephen Bergmann; *Sr. Wd.* Ralph L. Misto, Jr., 72 Top O' Mark Dr., 02835; *Jr. Wd.* Charles Beal, 53 Standish Rd., 02835; *Tr.* Andrew Holmes, 14 Holmsted Ct., 02835; *Cl.* Suzanne Wheelock, 129 Seaside Dr., 02835.

KINGSTON

St. Augustine's, 35 Lower College Road, 02881; *V.* The Rev. Dr. Jennifer Phillips; *Sr. Wd.* Arthur Olsen, 14 Aurora Ct., Wakefield, 02879; *Jr. Wd.* R. Albert Benson, P.O. Box 84, Slocum, 02877; *Tr.* Richard Hathaway, 860D Curtis Corner Rd., Peacedale, 02879; *Cl.* Jessica Wilson, 20 Checkerberry Rd., Narragansett, 02882.

LINCOLN

Christ Church in Lonsdale, 1643 Lonsdale Avenue (P.O. Box 245), 02865-0245; *Interim.* The Rev. John Van Siclen; *Asst.* The Rev. Linda Cappers; *Sr. Wd.* Douglas Allen, 6 Kilburn Ave., 02865; *Jr. Wd.* Judy Foltz, 1 Woodhaven Dr., Cumberland, 02864; *Tr.* Jeffrey Hopkins, 2 Foxwood Dr., 02865; *Cl.* Donna MacPherson, 450 Highland Ave, So. Attleboro, MA 02703.

LITTLE COMPTON

St. Andrew's-By-The-Sea, 182 Willow Avenue (P.O. Box 491) 02837; *R.* The Rev. J. Gregory Prior; *Asst.* The Rev. Leroy S. Close; *Sr. Wd.* Lee Havens, 37D Taylors Lane, 02837; *Jr. Wd.* Virginia Hastings, 666 West Main Rd., 02837; *Tr.* Frederick Buhrendorf, 21 Quicksand Pond Rd., , 02837; *Cl.* Judy Melanson, 63 John Dyer Rd., 02837.

MIDDLETOWN

The Church of the Holy Cross, 1439 West Main Rd. (P.O. Box 4121) 02842-0121; *Sr. Wd.* Robert F. Asher, 14 Birchwood Drive, Portsmouth 02871; *Jr. Wd.* Sandra B. Allen, 464 Third Beach Road, 02842; *Tr.* Patricia B. White, 53 Pine Tree Road, Portsmouth, 02871; *Cl.* Elizabeth King, 200 John Kesson Lane, 02842.

St. Columba's Chapel, 55 Vauclose Avenue, 02842; *Interim.* The Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Hahneman; *Assts.* The Rev. Betty Lou Wright, The Rev. Hébert Bolles, The Rev. Everett Greene; *Sr. Wd.* Betsy DeBlois, 121 Howland Ave., 02842; *Jr. Wd.* Jim Terry, 356 Green End Ave., 02842; *Tr.* Scott Nicholson, 602 Black Point Lane, Portsmouth, 02871; *Cl.* Day Ketcham, 10 Coulter Drive, Jamestown, 02835.

NARRAGANSETT

St. Peter's-by-the-Sea, 72 Central Street, 02882; *R.* The Rev. Russell G. Ruffino; *Asst.* The Rev. Richard Shippee; *Sr. Wd.* Ann K. Rheault, 1121 Mooresfield Rd., Wakefield, 02879; *Jr. Wd.* Fred Morrison, 947 Post Rd., Wakefield, 02879; *Tr.* Leo Carroll, 235 Table Rock Rd., Wakefield, 02879; *Cl.* Nina Pratt, 38 Fox Dr., 02882.

NEWPORT

Emmanuel, 42 Dearborn St., 02840. *R.* The Rev. Gregory Cole; *Sr. Wd.* Jack Allan, 1 Vanderbilt Ave., Newport 02840. No other information received.

St. George's, 14 Rhode Island Avenue, 02840; *P in Chrg:* The Rev. Marsue Harris; *Sr. Wd.* Gardner C. Sconyers, 28 Rhode Island Ave., 02840; *Jr. Wd.* Phillip Ward, P.O. Box 524, 02840; *Tr.* Christine Winslow, 11 Loyola Terrace, 02840; *Cl.* James McKay, 5 Leonard Terrace, 02840.

St. John the Evangelist (Zabriskie Memorial), 61 Poplar St., 02840. *R.* The Rev. John Ostman; *Sr. Wd.* Raymond Yorke, 573 Angell St., Providence, 02903; *Jr Wd.* Charles White, 2 Evarts St., 02840; *Tr.* Edward Carnes, 30 Wintergreen Dr., Middletown, 02852.

Trinity, Queen Anne Square, 02840; *R.* The Rev. Canon John E. Lawrence; *Asst.* The Rev. Dr. Paul Kumrian; *Sr. Wd.* James A. Glover, 66 McCorrie Lane, Portsmouth, 02871; *Jr. Wd.* G. M. Bruce Livingston, 100 Racquet Road, Jamestown, 02835; *Tr.* Dennis Kretschmar, 49 Oliver Hazard Perry Rd., Portsmouth, 02871; *Cl.* Elaine Burress, 166 River Run Road, Middletown, 02842.

NORTH KINGSTOWN

St. Paul's, 55 Main St., 02852; *R.* The Rev. Philip J. Tierney; *Associate:* The Rev. Alan Gates; *Sr. Wd.* Jane Tiernan-Reilly, 20 Woodward Road, 02852; *Jr. Wd.* William Warburton, 220 Narrow Lane, Exeter 02822; *Tr.* David Lamb, 606 Hatchery Rd., 02852; *Cl.* Cheryl Suglia, 115 Dana Rd., 02852.

NORTH PROVIDENCE

St. James, 474 Fruit Hill Ave., 02911-2636; *R.* The Rev. Alcide Barnaby, Jr.; *Asst.* The Rev. Iris Mello; *Sr. Wd.* Lucy Bettencourt, 15 Mount Ave., Lincoln, 02865; *Jr. Wd.* Ernie Forte, 252 Aqueduct Rd., Cranston, 02920; *Tr.* Julie Pettis, 8 Beta Court, 02911; *Cl.* Nancy Zambarano, 20 Locust Grove Ave., Hope, 02831.

NORTH SCITUATE

Trinity, 251 Danielson Pike, 02857-1906; *R.* The Rev. Dr. Pamela S. Gregory; *Sr. Wd.* William Hurry, 4 Wilkinson Rd., 02857; *Jr. Wd.* Brian Carpenter, 969 Snake Hill Rd., 02857; *Tr.* Joseph Carnevale, 294 Plainfield Pike, 02857; *Cl.* Kelly Lemire, 64 Mossup Valley Rd., Foster, 02825.

PASCOAG

Calvary, 156 Broad St., 02859-2602; *V.* The Rev. Mary A. Canavan *Sr. Wd.* Melanie Kohler, 740 Wallum Lake Rd., 02859; *Jr. Wd.* David Sidla, 35 Buck Hill Rd., 02859; *Tr.* Ronald Slocum, 65 Maple Dr., Harrisville, 02830; *Cl.* Muriel Kogut, 60 Irving Ave., 02859.

PAWTUCKET

Church of the Advent, 496 Pawtucket Ave., 02860; *R.* The Rev. Cecelia Perry; *Sr. Wd.* Raymond Stephenson, 87 Pidge Ave., 02860; *Jr. Wd.* Carol Keiser, 15 Dana Drive, Seekonk, MA 02771; *Tr.* Raymond Stephenson, 87 Pidge Ave., 02860. *Cl.* Beatrice Minkins, 345 Glenwood Ave., 02860; *Closed 12/05.*

Church of the Good Shepherd, 490 Broadway, 02860; *R.* The Rev. Edward C. Boucher; *Sr. Wd.* Roberta Cook, 56 Torrey Rd., Cumberland, 02864; *Jr. Wd.* Thatcher Berry, 76 Blackburn St., 02861; *Tr.* Richard Emerson, 29 Davis St., Seekonk, MA 02771; *Cl.* Robin Paraiso, 55 Parsonage Way, Attleboro, MA 02703.

St. Luke's, 670 Weeden St., 02860. *R.* The Rev. Michael Lemons; *Sr. Wd.* Dana Robinson, 52 Arthur Ave., N. Prov., 02904; *Jr. Wd.* Dan Bracewell, 16 Grafton St., Lincoln 02865; *Tr.* Barbara Stevenson, 9 Tucker Ln, Lincoln 02865;

St. Martin's, 1080 Newport Ave., 02861-2541; *Priest-in-Charge* The Rev. Jeffrey Jencks *Sr. Wd.* Richard Marsland, 4 Downes Ave., 02861; *Jr. Wd.* Richard Messier, 41 Kirk Dr., 02861 *Tr.* Donald Leggat, 170 Woodward Dr., Seekonk, MA 02771; *Cl.* Nancy Leggat, 170 Woodward Dr., Seekonk, MA 02771.

St. Paul's, 50 Park Place, 02860-4010; *R.* The Rev. William Locke; *Asst.* The Rev. Betsy Lesieur; *Sr. Wd.* Michael A. Shurtleff, 970 Diamond Hill Rd, Woonsocket, 02895; *Jr. Wd.* Thomas Salvatore, 39 Poisson St., Cumberland, 02864; *Tr.* Margaret Noel, 617 Forbes St., Riverside, 02915; *Cl.* Rita Perry, 121 Senate St., 02861.

PORTSMOUTH

St. Mary's, 324 East Main Rd., 02871; *R.* The Rev. Pamela Mott; *Sr. Wd.* Marshall Lundberg, 245 Sea Meadow Dr., 02871; *Jr. Wd.* Thomas Brown, 66 Colonial Ave., Tiverton, 02878; *Tr.* J. Peter Marnane, 39 Willow Ave., Middletown, 02842; *Cl.* Patrick Sweeney, 46 Island Dr., Middletown, 02842.

St. Paul's, 2679 East Main Rd., 02871; *Sr. Wd.* Linda Remington, P.O. Box 453, 02871; *Jr. Wd.* Patrick Lennahan, 11 Maniton Dr. 02871; *Tr.* Robert Gessler, 95 Longmeadow Road, 02871; *Cl.* Scott Sherman, P.O. Box 996, 02871.

PROVIDENCE

All Saints' Memorial, 674 Westminster St., 02903; *R.* The Rev. James R. Bocchino; *Asst.* The Rev. Edward J. Trafford; *Sr. Wd.* Robert P. Lawton, 75 Beeckman Ave., Cranston, 02920; *Jr. Wd.* Joseph A. DiOrio, 63 Woodhaven Blvd, No. Providence, 02911; *Tr.* Robert A. Wells, 16 College Rd., 02908; *Cl.* Charlotte Burgess, 664 Smith St., 02908

Cathedral of St. John, 271 North Main St., 02903. *D.* The Rev. Maria DeCarvalho to 9/05; *Interim Dean:* The Rev. Harry Krauss 9/05; *Sr. Wd.* Adrienne Southgate, 34 Lennon St., 02908; *Jr. Wd.* Gailia Rutan, 151 Sixth St., 02906; *Tr.* Samuel Dorbor, 38 Thomas Ave., Pawtucket 02860.

Church of the Epiphany, 542 Potters Ave., 02907; *V.* The Rev. Karen Fraioli; *Sr. Wd.* Judith Walker, 69 Clarence St., 02909; *Jr. Wd.* Eugene Togba, 79 Alger Ave., 02907; *Tr.* Elizabeth Nealy, 6 Combstock Ave., 02907; *Cl.* Kwame Walker, 69 Clarence St. 02909.

Grace Church, 175 Matthewson St., 02903; *R.* The Rev. Robert T. Brooks; *Asst.* The Rev. Nancy Miller; *Sr. Wd.* Ann DiPippo, 19 Rhode Island Ave., 02906; *Jr. Wd.* W. Spencer Harber, 76 Bloor St., Warwick, 02889; *Tr.* Mary Kesson, 125 Prospect St., 02906; *Cl.* Patrick Horrigan, 74 Kelly St., Lincoln, 02865.

Messiah, 10 Troy St., 02909; *R.* The Rev. Richard E. Bardusch; *Asst.* The Rev. Michael DePetrillo; *Sr. Wd.* Lucia Bomster, 24 Rowley St., 02909; *Jr. Wd.* Cathy Iacobucci, 121 Garden City Drive, Cranston, 02920 ; *Tr.* Warren Ducharme, 51 Quail Hollow Rd., Cranston, 02920; *Cl.* Alice Smith, 40 Sheffield Ave., 02911.

Redeemer, 655 Hope St., 02906; *R.* The Rev. Jo-Ann J. Drake; *Sr. Wd.* Anne Bryant, 49 Geneva St., Pawtucket, 02860; *Jr. Wd.* Jeanne Edwards, 962 Great Hill Dr., Warwick, 02886; *Tr.* Joseph DiPalma, 72 Merry Mount Dr., Warwick, 02888; *Cl.* Sandra DiPalma, 72 Merry Mount Dr., Warwick, 02888.

St. Martin's, 50 Orchard Ave., 02906; *Interim* The Rev. David A. Ames (9/05); *R.* The Rev. Clare Fischer-Davies 10/05; *Sr. Wd.* Jaye Tyler, 24 Barnes St., 02906; *Jr. Wd.* Susan Oestreich, 450 Wayland Ave., 02906; *Tr.* Dennis Stark, 19 Kenilworth Way, Pawtucket, 02860; *Cl.* Joseph A. Palmer, 4430 Post Rd, #B-27, East Greenwich, 02818.

Sts. Peter and Andrew, 25 Pomona Ave., 02908; *Long-Term-Supply:* The Rev. Joyce Penfield; *Sr. Wd.* Rita Gianfrancesco, 715 Ten Rod Rd., No. Kingston, 02852; *Jr. Wd.* Dirk Hennessey, 120 Mill St., Woonsocket, 02895; *Tr.* Donna Webb, 27 Oneida St., Johnston, 02919; *Cl.* Betty Sloane, 7 Franklin Ave., Cranston.

S. Stephen's, 114 George St., 02906; *R.* The Rev. John D. Alexander; *Asst.* The Rev. Gardiner H. Shattuck; *Sr. Wd.* Alan Reniere, 399 Bungy Rd., Scituate, 02857; *Jr. Wd.* Thomas Bledsoe, 50 Lincoln Rd., Barrington, 02806; *Tr.* Brian C. Ehlers, 399 Bungy Rd., Scituate, 02857; *Cl.* Sandra Bartlett, 14 Plymouth Dr., Barrington, 02806.

RIVERSIDE

St. Mark's, 10 Turner Ave., 02915; *Interim* The Rev. Jennifer West; *Sr. Wd.* James Hummel, 8 Hearthwood Dr, Barrington, 02806; *Jr. Wd.* Ellen Metcalfe, 45 Viola Ave., 02915; *Tr.* Robert Lewis, 57 Allerton Ave., East Providence, 02914; *Cl.* Carol Northup, 19 Robinhood Dr., 02915.

RUMFORD

St. Michael and Grace, 1336 Pawtucket Ave., 02916; *R.* The Rev. Jennifer L. Pedrick; *Asst.* The Rev. Scott A. Gunn; *Sr. Wd.* Linda LeBreux, 198 Wheeler St., Rehoboth, MA 02769; *Jr. Wd.* Carolyn McDonough, 65 Mason Rd., Barrington, 02906; *Tr.* William Dench, 67 Stafford Rd., Seekonk, MA 02771; *Cl.* Robert Bergstrand, 14 Pamden Lane, Seekonk, MA 02771.

SAUNDERSTOWN

St. John the Divine, P.O. Box 541, 02874; *R.* The Rev. Stephanie C. Shoemaker; *Sr. Wd.* Donald Hourahan, 243 Orchard Woods Dr., 02874; *Jr. Wd.* Robert Jenckes, 1650 South Rd., Kingston, 02881; *Tr.* Alfred Maybach, Jr., 89 Sweetmeadow Dr., No. Kingstown, 02852; *Cl.* Barbara Gadrow, P.O. Box 485, 02874.

TIVERTON

Holy Trinity, 1956 Main Rd., 02878-4698; *Supply:* The Rev. James P. Frink; *Interim* The Rev. Daryl Stahl; *Sr. Wd.* Felicia Desmaris-Toupin, 94 Winnisimet Drive, 02878; *Jr. Wd.* Adam Jaglowski, 600 Locust St., Swansea, MA 02777; *Tr.* G. Lawrence Gadsby, 232 E. Main Rd., Portsmouth, 02871; *Cl.* Lynn Sluiter, 31 Stoney Brook Dr., Little Compton, 02837.

WAKEFIELD

Church of the Ascension, 370 Main St. (P.O. Box 5248) 02880-5248; *R.* The Rev. Sandra P. Haines-Murdocco; *Sr. Wd.* John Caron, 36 Paul Ave., 02879; *Jr. Wd.* Richard Diggins, 40 Indian Head Trail, 02879; *Tr.* William F. Kelly, 16 Dawn Court, So. Kingstown, 02879; *Cl.* Joan Turner, 152 Francis Horn Dr., Kingston, 02852.

WARREN

St. Mark's, 15 Lyndon St., 02885-3322; *Priest-in-charge* The Rev. James Verber; *Sr. Wd.* Robert E. Tappero, 37 Coomer Ave., 02885; *Jr. Wd.* Esther Scott, 74 Bridge St., 02885; *Tr.* Diane Donahue, 268 Norfolk Ave., Pawtucket, 02861; *Cl.* Robin Valley, 130 No. County St., East Providence, 02914.

WARWICK

All Saints', 111 Greenwich Ave., 02886-1217; *R.* The Rev. Philip Devens; *Sr. Wd.* Alfred Liddle, III, 47 Montgomery Ave., 02886; *Jr. Wd.* Bruce MacNeil, 1 Griffin Dr., 02886; *Tr.* Floyd Smith, 33 Stam Ave., Cranston, 02920; *Cl.* Meredith MarcAurele, 9 Alicia Ct., 02886.

St. Barnabas', 3257 Post Road, 02886; *R.* The Rev. William Fraatz; *Sr. Wd.* Eric Simonian, 140 Imperial Dr., Warwick 02886; *Jr. Wd.* Charles Hicks, 36 Goodrich Ave., Warwick 02886; *Tr.* Moore McLaughlin, 5 Ivy Trail Rd., Johnston 02919

St. Mark's, 111 West Shore Rd., 02889; *Interim* The Rev. George Warren *Sr. Wd.* John Kolarik, 97 Gristmill Rd, 02889; *Jr. Wd.* Roy Lautieri, 82 Nottingham Drive, West Warwick, 02893; *Tr.* Shirley Kolarik, 474 West Shore Rd., 02889; *Cl.* Elizabeth Huntemann, 90 Grand Ave., 02889.

St. Mary's, 358 Warwick Neck Ave., 02889; *R.* The Rev. Marc Dobson; *Sr. Wd.* Susan Farrell, 72 Barton Ave., 02889 *Jr. Wd.* Michael Marsh, 11 Hackman Pl., 02889; *Tr.* David McIntyre, 81 Leroy Ave., 02889; *Cl.* Denise Wilkinson, 231 Fair St., 02888.

WESTERLY

Christ Church, 7 Elm St., 02891; *R.* The Rev. Robert W. Anthony; *Asst.* The Rev. Mary Ellen Dolan; *Sr. Wd.* Virginia Bonk, 28 Harbor Dr., 02891; *Jr. Wd.* John S. Wilks, 494 Greenhaven Rd., Pawcatuck, CT 06379; *Tr.* Frederick Eaton, 4 Cliff St., Stonington, CT 06378; *Cl.* Kim Hodgson, 103 Castle Hill Rd., Pawcatuck, CT 06379.

WOONSOCKET

St. James', 24 Hamlet Ave., 02895; *R.* The Rev. Eletha Buote-Greig; *Sr. Wd.* Margot Powell, 10 Kennedy Blvd., Lincoln, 02865; *Jr. Wd.* Robert Bennett, 170 Spring St., 02895; *Tr.* Barbara Phillips, 37 Sixth Ave., 02895; *Cl.* Shirley E. G. Ayers, 407 Prospect St., 02895.

Bishop's Report to the 215th Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island

Official Acts October 31, 2004 – October 29, 2005

Visitations

Oct	31st	Cathedral of St. John
Nov.	7 th	All Saints, Warwick
	21 st	St. Martin's, Providence
	28 th	Christ Church, Westerly
Dec.	5 th	St. George's, Central Falls
	12 th	St. George's, Newport
	19 th	Emmanuel, Cumberland
Jan.	16th	Trinity, Newport
Feb.	6th,	Trinity, Cranston
	13 th	St. Mary's, Warwick
	20th	Messiah, Providence
	27 th	St. Mary's, East Providence
March	6th	Christ Church, Coventry
	20 th	Sts. Peter & Andrew, Providence
	27 th	Holy Spirit, Charlestown
April	3rd,	St. Matthias, Coventry
	17th	St. John's, Ashton
	24 th	St. Mark's, Riverside
		St. Mary's, Portsmouth
May	1st,	St. Peter's, Narraganset
	15th	Grace Church, Providence
June	12 th	St. Barnabas, Warwick
	19th	St. Columba's, Middletown
	26 th	All Saints, Providence
July	3 rd	St. Andrew's, Little Compton
	10th	St. Augustine's, Kingston
		St. Ann's by-the-Sea, Block Island
Sept.	4th,	St. Luke's, Pawtucket
	11th	Holy Trinity, Tiverton
	18 th	St. Stephen's, Providence
Oct.	2nd,	St. Michael & Grace, Rumford
	16th,	Good Shepherd, Pawtucket

23rd Holy Cross, Middletown
30th St. Paul's, Pawtucket

Confirmations/ Receptions

May 7, 2005 Grace Church, Providence (Bps. Wolf, Joslin, Griswold, Williams)
June 11, 2005 Christ Church, Westerly

Confirmations 199
Receptions 53

Admitted to Postulancy

Susan Carpenter 10/8/2004
Mark W. Warter 7/6/2005
Joan Dorney Collins 7/6/2005

Admitted to Candidacy

Susan Lynn Wrathall 2/16/2005

Ordinations

Scott Gunn 2/5/2005 (Transitional Diaconate)
9/10/2005 (Priesthood)
Timothy Lee Griffin 4/9/2005 (Priesthood)

Letters Dimissory In

Jose Francisco Roberts 11/17/2004
Pamela J. Mott 12/1/2004
LeRoy (Buck) Close 1/19/2005
Phillip J. Tierney 2/3/2005
Edward Charles Boucher 3/4/2005
Jennifer K. West 5/23/2005
Clare Fischer-Davies 7/12/2005
Marc Anthony Dobson 10/25/2005
Harry E. Krauss 10/24/2005

Letters Dimissory out

David G. Robinson 11/16/2004
Steven W. Haggerman 11/16/2004
Timothy Lee Griffin 10/21/2005

Removal from Clergy Rolls

Michael J. DePetrillo, Deacon 12/14/2005 Voluntary Renunciation

CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Continuing Education Committee dispenses grants to clergy serving in churches of the Diocese of Rhode Island who wish to engage in specific continuing education programs that will benefit their parochial ministries. The Committee normally meets as needed to respond to applications or by “polling” members of the committee by e-mail as needed. The grant moneys come from restricted endowment funds and grants must conform to the terms of the restrictions and to the policies guiding the Committee.

In September of 2005, the Committee reviewed and updated the “*Policy and Guidelines*” which had not be updated since November, 2000.

In 2005 a total of \$8,472.00 was granted to twelve (12) clergy for the purpose of continuing education and/or sabbaticals.

Respectfully submitted,
The Rt. Rev. David B. Joslin
Assisting Bishop

CLERGY DEPLOYMENT - 2005

The work of the Deployment Officer is to be an extension of the Bishop’s ministry of oversight especially with respect to the stewardship of ordained ministers and the congregations that they serve. The function of the Deployment Officer is to counsel clergy on their individual career, vocational and deployment needs; advise and guide congregations in times of transition; manage the diocesan calling process working with the interim clergy and consultants; and maintain diocesan contact with regional and national groups such as the Church Deployment Office, the Deployment Ministry Network, and the Province One Deployment Officers.

During the year 2005, we had 21 of our congregations in transition. During the year we welcomed to the Diocese the following clergy: the Rev. Terry Matthews, Vicar of St. Ann’s by-the-Sea, Block Island; the Rev. Alan Gates, Assistant to the Rector of St. Paul’s Church, Wickford; The Rev. Peter Mayer, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Cumberland; the Rev. Clare Fischer-Davies, Rector of St. Martin’s Church, Providence; the Rev. Marc Dobson, Rector of St. Mary’s Church in Warwick. In addition, the Rev. Scott Gunn became Assistant to the Rector at St. Michael and Grace in Rumford as well as Communications Officer of the Diocese; the Rev. Cn. Richard Bardusch assumed the position of Rector of Church of the Messiah, Providence in addition to his role as Canon for Congregational Development and Missions, and the Rev. Joyce Penfield became Priest-in-Charge of St. Peter’s and St. Andrew’s in Providence, in addition to her duties as Chaplain at the ACI. The Rev. Canon Harry E. Krauss is serving as Acting Dean of the Cathedral of St. John in Providence.

Betsy Fornal
Deployment Officer

COMMISSION ON CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT 2005

In April of 2005 we completed the Saturday training sessions for the twelve congregations (Calvary Church, Pascoag; Christ Church, Coventry; Church of the Holy Spirit, Charleston; Emmanuel Church, Newport; Church of the Epiphany, Providence; Church of St. Peter and St. Andrew, Providence; Church of the Messiah, Providence; St. Alban's Church, Centredale; St. David's on the Hill, Cranston; St. George's Church, Newport; St. Luke's Church, Pawtucket; and Trinity Church, North Scituate) committed to participate in the pilot program for Transforming Congregations called The Learning Community.

Each congregation sent a leadership team to attend sessions led by national and regional experts and our strategy is to gracefully transform the vision and increase the skills of these leadership teams, both clergy and lay, who will in turn lead their parishes through the changes to grow and thrive. The goal of this initial phase is for each church to implement a plan of action.

Every church has the common goal of fulfilling the Great Commission to "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,...teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you". Each congregation has gifts, talents, and neighborhood demographics unique to their parish and it is our hope that each of the participating congregations will develop a clearly defined ministry plan for moving forward into Health and Growth.

Of the twelve churches which participated, seven wrote plans for moving forward. By the end of 2005 three of those churches were actively walking in their plans (Calvary, Emmanuel, Messiah); four are re-working their plans (Epiphany, St. David's, St. Alban's, St. George's). Three churches dropped out-two because they lost their priest midway through (Sts Peter & Andrew, Church of the Holy Spirit) and one (Christ Church) because the energy and desire to move forward was not there. Two churches (St. Luke's, Trinity) continue to work on a plan.

These congregations continue to receive guidance from the Commission and may apply for matching grants to fund new initiatives once their plan has been received and accepted by CDC.

We welcomed to the Commission the Rev. Gregory Cole, the Rev. Philip Tierney, the Rev. Pamela Mott, and John Bilotta who were elected or confirmed at Convention 2005.

In the second half of 2005 CDC members reviewed every aspect of the pilot Learning Community program and began to plan for the second Learning Community which begins in October of 2006.

Merredythe Nadeau, Chair
The Rev. Cn. Dr. Richard Bardusch
Betsy Fornal

Jeanne Mason
The Rev. Donald Parker
Richard Robinson

THE COMMISSION ON MINISTRY

According to the Canons of the Church, the Commission on Ministry advises and assists the Bishop of the Diocese concerning the ministry of the church. It is important to note that this includes both lay and ordained ministry. While the twelve members of the Commission share countless hours in service to the church, these members only scratch the surface of their mandate. With an ever increasing number of members of the Diocese who are a part of the ordination “process” (which stretches from discernment to ordination), in the past year we began a discussion on the implementation of the “licensed” ministries of the church, clearly a part of the ministry of the laity.

From Discernment to Ordination

Thanks to effective feedback, our discernment program continues to improve and draw members of the Diocese who wish to converse with God as to their calling. The program, which meets monthly from September to April, had ten participants from six parishes. Of particular interest was one participant who entered the program to converse with God concerning the shape of his lay ministry. One part of the program has participants meet with a small number of trained “discerners.” This is called the Discernment Team. In order to strengthen the Discernment Teams, individuals were chosen from the Diocese who participated in the “Listening Hearts” training process, which met over two weekends this fall with Suzanne Farnham of Baltimore, Maryland. Special thanks should go to Annette Cox, who oversaw the Discernment process from start to finish.

Within the ordination process itself, there are two categories prescribed by canon. Postulancy is the first step, followed by candidacy. In addition, we have the Rev. M.P. (Empy) Schneider, a permanent deacon, who is testing a call to priesthood. Emphy is in her Middler (second) year at General Theological Seminary in New York City. At the end of 2005 we had the following **Postulants for Holy Orders:**

Dennis Bucco (St. Barnabas’, Warwick); Priesthood; Boston University School of Theology
Susan Carpenter (Trinity, North Scituate); Priesthood; General Seminary
Joan Dorney Collins (St. James’, North Providence); Permanent Diaconate;
Deacon
Formation Program
Meaghan Kelly (Grace, Providence); Priesthood; Virginia Seminary
Mark Warter (St. Paul’s, Wickford); Permanent Diaconate; Deacon Formation Program

At the end of 2005 we had the following **Candidates for Holy Orders:**

Ricky Brightman (Cathedral of St. John, Providence); Permanent Diaconate;
Deacon Formation Program
Susan Wrathall (St. Paul’s, Wickford); Priesthood; General Seminary

We note with joy, that Scott Gunn was ordained to the diaconate and priesthood in 2005 and we note with sadness that Robert Kerr, a postulant for Holy Orders for the Permanent Diaconate, died in 2005.

Other Issues

The Commission continues to work on major, ongoing issues. Under the direction of the Dean, the Rev. Wayne Runner, a new Deacon Formation Program was formed. This ministry went through an extensive planning phase that led to an opening in September. The mission statement is as follows: “The mission of diaconal formation in the Diocese of Rhode Island is, under the direction of the Bishop, to aid the postulant in developing his or her ability to model the servant ministry of Christ and to inspire it in others.” This three-year program meets one Saturday a month during the academic year. Teachers are experienced clergy from the Diocese of Rhode Island

The Commission had a retreat day at May Cottage in June and began to share our spiritual autobiographies with one another in much the same way as members of the discernment group shares theirs with the Commission. Bishop Wolf attended and we discussed the future direction of licensed ministries with the Diocese.

Thanks to the generosity of many persons who made contributions in memory of the Rev. Steele Martin, long-time priest of the Diocese, we initiated the Rev. Steele Martin Education Fund for the purpose of aiding seminarians in financing the cost of their seminary education. We are continuing to work on developing this fund so that it can be an effective tool for the Diocese.

Respectfully submitted,

The Rev. John Van Siclen, Commission on Ministry

COMMITTEE ON SUPPLEMENTARY BENEFITS (Diocese of Rhode Island – Canon 7.1)

Due to the generosity of Episcopalians of previous generations, the Diocese has a fund which can assist retired clergy and their surviving spouses in maintaining health insurance. The fund does not request or receive funding from the Diocesan Budget.

While the fund does not produce enough income to guarantee any benefit to clergy as an “earned right,” it can, however, help some of our clergy whose income is such that it cannot provide adequate health insurance. The Commission meets quarterly to review applications and the status of its funds. In 2005, 31 persons benefited from the fund with grants totaling approximately \$51,000.

Current policies regarding the fund are as follows:

- ❖ To receive assistance an applicant must be a cleric who is canonically resident in the Diocese of Rhode Island for five (5) years or more, be under no ecclesiastical discipline, and have retired from a paid full-time church position which put him/her on the Diocese of Rhode Island's health plan before retirement.
- ❖ There is no eligibility for assistance for early retirement (before age 65) unless retirement is caused by disability.
- ❖ The only assistance currently available is health insurance. Health insurance here means participation in the coverage offered by the Church Medical Trust of the Church Pension Fund. Upon the applicant's being found eligible, the Commission will defray the cost for him/her and spouse in the Church Medical Trust Premium Plan which is a supplement to Medicare coverage. The retirees will be expected to pay Part B, Medicare Coverage, which is deducted from social security payments.
- ❖ Exceptions to these policies will be considered by the Commission overseeing this Fund in cases of extreme hardship upon receipt of application for assistance.
- ❖ Upon retirement and in any (or every) year thereafter, a statement of need may be required by the Commission.

Currently the Commission consists of the Revs. Harrington M. Gordon, J. Daniel Burke, Everett H. Greene, Ms. Marilyn Sayles and Ms. Nancy Brown.

Everett H. Greene, Chair

DIOCESAN COUNCIL 2005

Diocesan Council's role is to "exercise such powers of the Diocesan Convention between meetings thereof as are necessary to develop and implement the mission, policies, program and budgets of the Diocese of Rhode Island." (Canon 6)

During the year 2005, Council met as a full body 11 times. There were no meetings in July and August.

The following actions were taken during 2005:

January 19, 2005

MacSparran-Lee Grants for 2005

Resolved: The Diocesan Council at its January 19, 2005 meeting gives its consent to the allocation of the MacSparran-Lee /fund estimated 2005 income in the amount of \$19,900. be distributed to support Outreach Mission Projects, Clericus, Clergy Continuing Education Grants and Clergy Sabbatical Grants.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept this resolution.

Nominations to Executive Committee

One additional Clergy representative from Council is needed for the Executive Committee. The Rev. Pamela Gregory volunteered to serve.

A motion was made, seconded and approved for Pam Gregory to serve.

2005 Insurance Deductibles

Resolved: that the Diocesan Council authorizes the Commission on Finance to subsidize the following insurance deductible amounts as noted for parishes participating in the Province I Insurance Program:

Directors & Officers/Employment Practices In the event of a claim brought against this coverage, a church will be responsible for the first \$10,000 and the Diocese the remaining \$40,000 of the \$50,000 deductible, to a maximum expense of \$80,000 to the Diocese in 2005.

Crime In the event of a claim brought against this coverage, a church will be responsible for the first \$5,000 and the Diocese the remaining \$5,000 of the \$10,000 deductible, to a maximum expense of \$20,000 to the Diocese in 2005.

Sexual Misconduct In the event of a claim brought against this coverage, a church will be responsible for the first \$50,000 and the Diocese the remaining \$50,000 of the \$100,000 deductible, to a maximum expense of \$100,000 to the Diocese in 2005.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept this resolution.

Committee on Salary Review

A motion was made, seconded and approved that "Council go to Executive Session on all personnel issues as a matter of policy." Therefore, staff members present were asked to leave the Council meeting.

After due deliberation the following resolution was made:

“We recommend that the cash compensation, as defined by the Church Pension Fund of the Episcopal Church, for the position of Bishop of Rhode Island, be set at \$119,600.00 effect January 1, 2005. This amount reflects the national median for bishops of dioceses of our size for 2003, adjusted by 4% as approved by Diocesan Council for 2005.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept this resolution.

AND also resolved: “We further recommend that Diocesan Council look at ways in which merit considerations may be included in future compensation decisions.”

A motion was made, seconded and approved to table this resolution. It was so voted to ask a sub-committee

February 16, 2005

Housing Allowance for The Rev. Dn. Scott Gunn

Resolved: that the Diocesan Council designates \$27,500 of the cash compensation of The Rev. Dn. Scott Gunn to be clergy housing allowance for 2005 in accordance with Internal Revenue Code (Section 107 of the IRS code of 1986).

March 16, 2005

Episcopal Charities Fund of Rhode Island Grant Distributions from the Susan Hudson Memorial Fund

Resolved: that Diocesan Council approve the action of the Episcopal Charities Board of Trustees for the distribution of funds from the Susan Hudson Memorial Fund for a total of \$27,700.00.

Episcopal Charities Fund of Rhode Island Grant Distributions from Fund Balance

Resolved: that Diocesan Council approve the action of the Episcopal Charities Board of Trustees for the distribution of funds from the Episcopal Charities Fund Balance for a total of \$20,000.00 to Episcopal Relief and Development for the Tsunami efforts.

Revolving Loan for St. John’s Church in Ashton

Resolved: that a loan be extended to St. John’s Church, Ashton, in the amount of \$110,000.00 for a term of ten (10) years at a rate of 4.5%.

Revolving Loan Fund Rule addition

Resolved: that rule #8 be added to the revolving loan fund rules and that it read as follows: “Funds must be withdrawn within twelve months of the date of the final approval of the loan”.

April 20, 2005

Apportionment Adjustment Request from Emmanuel, Cumberland

Resolved: that the 2005 Apportionment for Emmanuel, Cumberland, be adjusted to \$12,000.00.

Apportionment Adjustment from St. Barnabas, Warwick

Resolved: that the 2005 Apportionment for St. Barnabas, Warwick, be adjusted to \$24,000.00.

May 18, 2005

Diocese of Rhode Island Lay Employees Retirement Plan and Trust

Resolved: that the Diocese of Rhode Island Lay Employees Retirement Plan and Trust be amended to bring it into compliance with IRS regulations as follows:

Voted: that the Diocese of Rhode Island Lay Employees Retirement Plan & Trust be, and the same hereby is, amended by way of the Second Amendment attached hereto, for compliance with IRS legislation relating to the Small Business Job Protection Act of 1996, the Taxpayers Relief Act of 1997, the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Act and the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Voted: that the Diocese of Rhode Island Lay Employees Retirement Plan & Trust be, and the same hereby is, amended by way of the Third Amendment attached hereto, for compliance with IRS Legislation relating to the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001.

Voted: to authorize the proper officers of the Diocese to take such actions as are necessary to affect this resolution.

June 15, 2005

Apportionment Rate for 2005 only

Resolved: that the Diocese of Rhode Island reduce the present Apportionment rate of 17.5% to 17% for the year 2005 only.

Voted: to reduce the 2005 Apportionment rate, referred to in Diocesan Canon 14.2, from 17.5% to 17% for 2005 only, for all parishes and missions paying their full apportionment through December 31, 2004.

Program and Budget Committee

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept the following names as the Bishop’s Appointments to the Program and Budget Committee:

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| The Rev. Robert Brooks | The Rev. Mark Galloway |
| The Rev. Gregory Prior | Ms. Mary Ann Kolakowski |
| Ms. Jeanne Mason | Mr. William Struck |
| Mr. Benjamin West | |

July and August, 2005

Summer Recess no meetings held

September 14, 2005 – Special Meeting

A special meeting was called to present the completed Bridge Builder’s Report to Council members.

October 5, 2005 – Special Meeting

A special meeting was called to discuss the Bridebuilder’s Report. A Task Force will be implemented to work on the Bishop’s proposed “Overall Goals & Structure”. In response to the Resolution of the 213th Convention, Council will draft a current Resolution to be made available at Convention. Jim Segovis will make a report to the Convention.

October 12, 2005

Episcopal Charities Find of RI Grant Distributions from Fund Balance

Resolved: that Diocesan Council approve the action of the Episcopal Charities Board of Trustees for the distribution of funds from the Episcopal Charities Fund Balance for a total of \$30,000 to be used in the Hurricane Katrina Relief efforts. The amount of \$10,000 has been sent to each of these dioceses: Louisiana, Alabama and Mississippi.

Episcopal Charities 2006 Grant Distributions

Resolved: that Diocesan Council approves the Episcopal Charities 2006 Grant Distributions in the amount of \$533,415.

Council will submit a memo and summary of the Bridgebuilder's report setting forth priorities, time line and a plan entitled "New Directions – Strategic Implementation Plan for the Diocese of Rhode Island" to be adopted by Convention, mailed to Canonically resident Clergy and Delegates prior to Convention, 2005.

November 16, 2005

Clergy Salary Review and Compensation for 2006

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the report and recommendations as submitted by the Salary Review Committee with the only change to compensation being a 4% increase over 2005.

Election of Council Officers

A motion was made, seconded and approved that Mr. James Segovis be elected Vice President and Ms. Debbie Smith elected as Secretary of Diocesan Council.

Approval of Nominations to New Directions Task Force

Elected to serve on the new Task Force were The Rev. James Frink and Ms. Lora MacFall. A motion was made, seconded and so voted.

Endorsement of Treasurer's Report in Reference to Canons

Resolved: to accept the endorsement on Apportionment as presented by the Treasurer and that a copy of the Treasurer's presentation explaining the existing canons be sent to Rectors/Vicars, Wardens and Treasurers of all parishes. A cover letter composed by Robert Batchelor and approved by Bishop Wolf will accompany it.

Restructuring of Council Committees

Distribution of the five areas of strategic importance:

1. Establish & Strengthen Covenant between Bishop and Clergy: Leadership Group
2. Build widespread, grassroots agreement on mission / maintain consistent focus in implementing it: Outreach, Advocacy & Service
3. Encourage development of strong leadership & collegiality among clergy: Leadership Group
4. Enhance Diocese's ability to successfully communicate/execute strategy: Congregational Development

5. Review, revitalize and recognize Diaconate: MOVE to Outreach, Advocacy & Service (has previously been under Leadership in the past) and ADD
6. Strengthen leadership of Laity: Congregational Development.

December 21, 2005

Clergy Housing Allowance

RESOLVED that Diocesan Council designate the following amounts of cash compensation to be clergy housing allowances for 2006 in accordance with the IRS:

The Rev. Richard Bardusch	\$16,224.00
The Rev. Sean Manchester	7,720.00
The Rev. Joyce Penfield	14,000.00
The Rev. José Roberts	20,000.00
The Rev. Elizabeth Sherman	15,000.00
The Rev. Cn. Robert Vanderau	22,000.00
The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf	45,000.00

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept this resolution.

MacSparran-Lee Fund

Resolved: that Diocesan Council at its December, 2005 meeting gives its consent to the allocation of the MacSparran-Lee Fund estimated 2006 income in the amount of \$19,000.00 be distributed to support Outreach Mission Projects, Clericus, Clergy Continuing Education Grants and Clergy Sabbatical Grants.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept this resolution.

Approval of Additional Nominees to New Directions Task Force

A motion was made, seconded and so voted for The Rev. Peter Mayer and Ms. Maryann Kolakowski to serve on the Task Force with Lora MacFall to serve as Chair and Canon Bob Vanderau will serve on it as the staff representative.

Ms. Debra L. Smith
Secretary
Diocesan Council

EPISCOPAL CHARITIES

The Episcopal Charities Annual Campaign for the year 2005 was a great success. The Board of Trustees, all committees and parish charities volunteers successfully completed their work both in fundraising and outreach efforts. Grant distributions in the amount of \$500,045 were given to 105 social service agencies and programs throughout Rhode Island.

Congratulations are extended to the agencies funded through Episcopal Charities for their commitment to deliver the valuable services given to the people of Rhode Island who are in crisis and need.

The Susan Hudson Memorial Fund awarded grants totaling \$32,700 to the Comprehensive Community Action Program in Warwick, Crossroads Rhode Island in Providence, United Methodist Elder Care Program in East Providence, The Blessing Way and Rhode Island State Council of Churches – “*Youth Link Program*”. Funds totaling \$30,000 from the Episcopal Charities Fund Balance was sent to the Diocese of Louisiana, Diocese of Mississippi and the Diocese of Alabama (\$10,000 for each diocese) for relief in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. An additional \$24,000 was also sent to these dioceses (\$8,000 each) for Hurricane Katrina efforts through a separate fundraising effort through the Episcopal Charities Office.

In total, the Episcopal Charities Fund of Rhode Island dispersed \$586,745 to assist people in crisis, need and desperate situations for the year 2005.

The volunteers and donors of Episcopal Charities deserve gratitude and recognition for their work, dedication and support. Special thanks are extended to Mayor Scott Avedisian of Trinity Church, Cranston, Carol Keiser of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket, Nancy Kaull of St. Luke’s, East Greenwich, and The Rev. Austin Almon (Skip) for their outstanding campaign leadership. Gratitude and appreciation is extended to all the members of the Board of Trustees for their dedication and commitment to the mission of Episcopal Charities. The Board extends its thanks and appreciation to Diane Evans, Episcopal Charities Assistant, for her continued efforts and support to our donors, volunteers, the Board, and the people of our Diocese.

The Bishop Higgins Award for distinguished and meritorious service on behalf of Episcopal Charities was presented to Mayor Scott Avedisian of Trinity Church, Cranston, and Peggy Amatore, Executive Director of the Episcopal Charities Fund of Rhode Island. Mayor Avedisian has been a life-long Episcopalian and has served his church, the Diocese and the Rhode Island community through dedicated and committed leadership roles. Peggy was recognized with the Bishop Higgins Award in honor and appreciation of her 25 years of service and commitment to the mission of Episcopal Charities and the Diocese of Rhode Island. The Board is grateful to the Mayor and Peggy for their sense of responsibility to help their neighbors across this state.

National Philanthropy Day was held in November, 2005. Organizations throughout Rhode Island had an opportunity to honor their valued volunteers as "Partners in Philanthropy". Jean Knowles of Trinity Church, Cranston, and Charlene Underhill of Church of St. Michael and Grace, Rumford, were named "Partners in Philanthropy" of the Episcopal Charities Fund of Rhode Island for many years of outstanding service and dedication. They continue to serve their church, the Diocese, Episcopal Charities and their community.

MINISTRY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - ACI

The Episcopal Diocese of RI and Episcopal Charities support a ¾ time Chaplaincy at the Adult Correctional Institution (ACI). The goals of this ministry are: to address the pastoral, liturgical, spiritual, and theological needs of the church and the unchurched; to help incarcerated men and women encounter the love of Christ and to be a witness to the healing and restoration of hope, mercy, and forgiveness which is offered by Christ to all. Thanks to the prayers and support of those in parishes and our Diocese, the prodigal sons and daughters of our state are invited back home to be our neighbors through the hope of restoration and healing that is offered them.

Indirectly the Chaplaincy also benefits parishes and clergy in Rhode Island. The Chaplain helps clergy with parish members who get arrested to negotiate this system and she also pays courtesy visits to their parish members, even though they are housed in units which are supervised by other Chaplains. Family members of those incarcerated also benefit because the Chaplain ministers to them by phone at times of crisis, such as, death or serious illness of a relative.

Rev. Joyce Penfield, an Episcopal priest in RI, who is canonically resident in Rhode Island and has over 13 years of prison ministry experience in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York state, and Rhode Island, works with a team of 5 other part-time Chaplains (1 Protestant, 4 Roman Catholic, 1 Muslim) in 7 different units which comprise the ACI system to serve a resident population of 3,700. A total of 16,000 men and women are admitted to ACI each year. In one year, about 5,000 reside in the units which Chaplain Penfield is responsible for supervising.

The residents at ACI typically enter with a multiplicity of problems: poverty, undereducation, lack of legitimate job skills, and mental health needs. Over 12 per cent have serious mental needs and at least 70% of the residents have a substance abuse problem which often led to their criminal behavior or the acts for which they are serving time. Of the women, the majority come from abusive family/spouse backgrounds or parents who themselves suffered from substance abuse problems or were incarcerated. Despite the many regulations and nature of prison which hinder getting these needs addressed during incarceration and despite the very oppressive nature of the system of prison itself, God's transforming love and mercy does shine through this gloomy scene with the help of religious volunteers, mentors, drug treatment programs in selected facilities, and the work of Chaplains.

Chaplain Penfield serves as Institutional Chaplain of the 2 Women's Facilities and Men's Minimum/Work Release which means she recruits, trains, and supervises all religious schedules and volunteers of all denominations for these 3 units. She has tried to create a balance of religious programs, introducing courses on spirituality and self-understanding/emotional literacy; setting goals; nonviolence; and healthy relationships.

In addition to one-on-one counseling and confessions, Chaplain Penfield offers a weekly worship service at 4 different facilities; a weekly meditation circle in both women's units; bi-annual instruction for baptism and an Inquirer's course in 4 facilities; and special memorial services for inmates who die or for ex-offenders who die after being released. (In the past 10 years, over 120 women have died within months of their release.)

Another major activity of this Chaplaincy are spiritually-based courses which focus on: self-understanding, emotional growth and spirituality for those in recovery from addiction and/or

abuse. Two of these courses, *Houses of Healing*, and *Boundaries for Healthy Relationships*, are nationally recognized and are also very popular with the inmates. Such courses provide an opportunity to deepen relationships with inmates and to offer pastoral counseling to a larger number of inmates than one on one counseling affords. Chaplain Penfield teaches 18-20 of these courses per year.

Card and eyeglasses ministry is another important activity of the Chaplaincy. Inmates receive a birthday card each year. Eyeglasses and greeting cards are also provided by the Chaplain upon request by inmates in need. Many parishes in the Diocese have helped by donating cards—always needed and appreciated by the women and men inside. The Chaplaincy also organizes the Angel Tree project each year which helps local parishes provide gifts for children of inmates.

The activities of worship, Baptism, pastoral crisis/grief counseling, spirituality and healing courses, faith oriented courses for the unchurched, supervision of volunteers, card and eyeglasses ministry, and administrative work makes for a very busy and active Chaplaincy as indicated by a few numbers below:

Worship Services Given/ # Inmates attending

	<u>Holy Eucharist</u>	<u>Prayer</u>	<u>Memorial</u>	<u>Baptisms</u>	<u>Inquiry Grads.</u>
2002	121 / 1,733	84 / 1,338	7 / 226	20	22
2003	139 / 2,107	109 / 1,480	5 / 250	22	28
2004	124 / 2,381	130 / 1,992	3 / 289	25	40
2005	128 / 2,564	131 / 1,998	2 / 85	19	29

	<u>Spiritually-Based Course</u> <u># Courses taught / # Graduating</u>	<u>Volunteers Supervised</u>	<u>Grief/Death Notifications/ yr.</u>
2002	11 / 73	14	65
2003	9 / 83	29	85
2004	13 / 105	40	85
2005	20 / 164	55	60

Pastoral Contact hours: 30 – 50 inmates / week

The Chaplaincy exists only through the support and prayers of you and the Diocese as we live out our Baptismal covenant to seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving those who are and will physically be our next door neighbors any day later. Thank you for making the servant ministry of the Chaplaincy a reality.

In Christ,
 Rev. Dr. Joyce Penfield, Chaplain
 Women's & Men's Minimum/Work Release
 March 19, 2006

EPISCOPAL CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER - 2005

Spirit of ECC

The Episcopal Conference Center is located in the northwest corner of Rhode Island. ECC occupies 186 rural acres in the woods of Burrville/Glocester. ECC is a center for Christian ministry for youth and adults; ECC includes a residential summer camp program and year round conference facility available to members of our diocese and anyone else who is interested in furthering their spiritual journey. The conference center is also available to be rented for secular groups. ECC is a community built on respect, shared responsibility and ownership by all participating members.

Our mission statement is as follows: *ECC is a place where youth and adults are formed, nurtured, and sent forth as faithful Christians by working, studying, serving, and living the Gospel in community.* ECC is the spiritual home for Rhode Islanders of all ages who have found God through the experience of worship, nature and a community built on trust. ECC provides a place where people come to explore their faith and experience the risen Christ while living and working in community with others.

Conference Program

The winter youth program of the Conference Center includes eight weekend conferences for teens. For each conference we have the capacity to house up to 55 teens. Adult staff leaders and chaperones are housed in the Wing. In 2005 our teen conferences were led by a variety of clergy and lay people from throughout the diocese including The Rev. Deacon Gail Wheelock, The Rev. Judy Mitchell, The Rev. and Mrs. John Hall and The Rev. Beth Sherman. We were happy to welcome The Rev. Alan Gates to ECC as a first time conference leader in November. We offered a wide range of topics in 2005 including, *Masks, Does Peace Have a Chance* and, *What a Friend!* For the first time, we offered a weekend conference for 6-9th graders in December which was entitled *Celebrate the Season* where we examined the meaning of Christmas and gift giving. We also made cards and placemats for nursing home residents. It was a wonderful new conference for us. Each conference weekend is staffed by members of the ECC year round adult staff and volunteer young people who worked as counselors in the previous summer. We are very fortunate that our summer camp nurse, Jeanne Mason continues to volunteer her professional services to us for every conference weekend we have at ECC. Jeanne's services and commitment are invaluable to us at ECC. We also held a conference for Young Adults in January while college students were home and on break from school.

In 2005 we again held our two new programs. During February school vacation week we held *Winter Camp* for children in grades 6-8. We offered a variety of activities including workshops in Art, Drama, Cooking, Creative Writing, Sports and Yoga. The Rev. Beth Sherman was our Chaplain for the week and several adults volunteered their time to lead projects. We were fully enrolled and we all had a wonderful time. *Winter Camp* has become something both parents and their children look forward to! The second new program we continued was *Family Camp*. Family Camp was open to families from all over the diocese and was held over Memorial Day Weekend. Families slept in cabins, did craft activities, went canoeing, enjoyed singing and worship and

participated in an all camp Scavenger Hunt! We are grateful to Mike Audette for his leadership of Family Camp.

Summer Program

Planning for the ECC summer program begins as soon as the previous summer ends with recruiting of volunteers and setting up learning opportunities. Staff training begins in January with an overnight gathering of the upcoming Full Counselors and permanent staff. Training for the entire summer staff begins with a training weekend in April where everyone is gathered to prepare for the coming summer. The summer staff gathers in June to further prepare at ECC with a five day intensive training session before campers arrive for the summer.

Our summer program offered eight weeks of residential summer camping. We filled 647 camper slots in 2005. This was comparable to our enrollment in 2004.

Our summer program is staffed by approximately sixty young people who serve in a variety of roles necessary to staff a program of our size. Our staff is selected from current campers and important emphasis is placed on selection and training of our staff. Most staff members return to work at ECC for several summers and are dedicated to the mission and ministry of the conference center. ECC staff members range in age from 16-60.

We made significant changes in our summer camp schedule in 2005 to allow for more breaks for staff in between camp sessions. Most camp weeks ended early on Friday evening, with the staff arriving home later that night and having a full day and night off on Saturday before returning to camp Sunday afternoon. This change in schedule was also designed to be more in line with the work schedules of parents.

ECC has been blessed with the support and commitment of a talented group of clergy and alumni who volunteer to live at ECC for one week at a time each summer to be part of the program staff. They volunteer to work as project leaders, chaplains, workshop leaders, discussion group leaders, musicians and anything else that is needed. The talents and creativity of these adults provided a wonderfully rich support to our summer program.

Adults at ECC

ECC offers many opportunities for adults. The vestries of parishes may come to ECC for a day or two of reflection and planning. Retreats offer opportunities for spiritual growth and there are several organizations within the Diocese that utilize the sacred space offered at ECC. ECC accommodates groups of 20 to 120, with facilities available in heated cabins and the wing. We have a number of secular groups in addition to our church related bookings. There is consistent high praise for the hospitality of ECC.

Our weekend bookings were on the rise in 2005. Our Resident Manager Joyce Roberts welcomed groups from several of our local colleges and universities as well as groups from our diocesan parishes. In 2005 ECC also hosted two weekend weddings. One of the weddings was held outside on the lawn with the reception with dinner and dancing held in the outdoor Pavilion. A second wedding was held at ECC over Columbus Day weekend. Guests stayed overnight in the Wing and in cabins celebrating with a cookout in the Pavilion one night and a formal wedding reception for 160 in the Barn the next night.

Use of the Florence Pierce Grant House which is located in a corner of the ECC property increased in 2005. The house was used by clergy and their families as a convenient get-away and retreat. Grant House was also utilized on a fairly regular basis by some small vestry and EFM groups for day-long retreats and meetings. Grant House was also used to accommodate long-term housing needs for clergy. Arrangements were all made through Joyce Roberts, the ECC Resident Manager.

Ministry with others

City Camp is a significant outreach project administered by the Episcopal Conference Center during the summer months. City Camp is our inner city day camp operated out of the Olneyville section of Providence. Ms. Becky Binns served as Director of City Camp in 2005. Becky has a BA in Art Education from RI and countless years of experience as a camp counselor and staff member at ECC. City Camp served 150 children between the ages of 6-12 in four two-week camping periods. Some days were spent in the city based at Nickerson House and the Joslin Center Community Pool, while other days the campers are bussed to places like Scarborough Beach, Pulaski Park, the Children's Museum, Mystic Aquarium and ECC. ECC counselors and our City Camp Coordinator work along with the Director and a Bi-Lingual adult to provide quality and safe programming to all City Campers. Funding for City Camp is provided through grants from Episcopal Charities and other foundations, and gifts from parishes, businesses and individuals.

A major fund raiser was held for City Camp in 2005. Sara Clarke chaired a committee that held a wonderful "Moonlit Gala" in the RI State House in November. The evening included dinner, dancing, socializing and a live and silent auction. The event was a wonderful celebration of the work done at City Camp. \$10,000 was raised at this single event! We are very grateful to all who supported our efforts!

The Episcopal Conference Center is a member of the Rhode Island Association of Camps and is associated with the American Camping Association. ECC is also a member of the national organization of Episcopal Camp and Conference Centers (ECCC) and attends their annual conference in January of each year.

ECC and the Diocese

The ECC Task Force that was commissioned by Bishop Wolf in 2003 finished their review of the Episcopal Conference Center and delivered their report to Bishop Wolf in April. The Task Force was made up of 12 members that included members of the ECC staff, members of diocesan staff and others from various areas of the diocese.

The Task Force report gives a thorough review of ECC's past, present and future with detailed recommendations for long and short term goals. The report was very affirming of the work done at ECC and supportive of this important work continuing and being affirmed by the diocese. The ECC Task Force report was available online on the diocesan website for several months.

The Property of ECC

In 2005 we continued our work to upgrade the ECC facilities in accordance with the changes in the RI fire code. Our Property Manager, Lance Roberts worked in cooperation with the Pascoag fire department.

We also refurbished 3 of our older cabins in the girl's area by building in wooden bunks, replacing wall boards and floor boards and improving the lighting. This project was undertaken by a prospective Eagle Scout under the supervision of our Property Manager. The results were well received by campers and parents.

A new winterized cabin was built in upper area by the family of the late Byron Peter Harrington to honor him. Much of the work was done by friends and family of the deceased. Lance again handled much of the planning, supervision and "finish work" required to complete the cabin.

Improvements were also made to our conference room. The conference room is now carpeted and has comfortable chairs for everyone. The dining room has pretty sage green curtains and table cloths and an attractive buffet for storage of mugs and plates.

ECC Memorial Fund

In 2005 we continued to receive contributions to the ECC memorial scholarship fund. This fund provides scholarship assistance for summer camps and for those attending ECC youth conferences during the school year who would not otherwise be able to afford to come to ECC. At ECC we are committed to keeping opportunities for ministry to young people affordable for all who are interested in attending the conference center. Contributions to the scholarship fund continue to make this possible.

ECC Annual Fund Drive

2005 marks the fifth year of the ECC Annual Fund Drive. Donations to the ECC Annual Fund Drive for 2005 were approximately \$7,000. We are grateful to people from all around the diocese who support this campaign.

Thanksgiving

We at ECC continue to be grateful to the Diocese of Rhode Island and Episcopal Charities for their generous and sustained support throughout the years. Their support makes it possible for us to continue our ministry to the diocese and in particular to young people.

Staffing

At the end of 2005 Bishop Wolf accepted the resignation of ECC Director, Susan Henthorne Kelley. Susan has served as a member of the full-time permanent staff of ECC since the spring of 1992. As the year comes to a close, Bishop Wolf is searching for an interim Camp Director to serve for at least a year while a search committee works to find a new Director for ECC. Other members of the year round staff have agreed to take over some of Susan's responsibilities to make for a smooth transition.

EUCCHARISTIC VISITORS

	St. John's, Ashton
Phillip Masquelette	2006
Sally Whitehead	2006
	St. John's, Barrington
D. Patricia Allen	2006
Marion Colella	2006
Joan L. Harper	2007
Charles F. Reade, Jr.	2007
	St. Michael's, Bristol
Dinah Baker	2006
Marie Burden	2006
Betty Burkhardt	2006
Kenneth Burkhardt	2006
Barbara Davis	2006
Lorenzo P. DiSano	2006
Virginia McCaw	2006
Frederic A. Rounds	2006
Jacquie Thomas	2006
Sally Woodruff	2006
Richard Munro	2007
Anne C. McCarthy	2008
	St. Alban's, Centredale
M.R. Pagano	2008
	St. George's, Central Falls
Modesta Pellot	2007
	Holy Spirit, Charlestown
Lora Branin Cobdon	2007
Marjorie F. Frank	2007
Nancy Penn	2007
Patricia Bow	2008
	Christ Church, Coventry
James Tonge	2006
	St. Andrew & St. Philip, Coventry
Sandra Restall	2006
Diane Warner	2006
	St. Matthias', Coventry
George Nathanson	2006

	Ascension, Cranston
Hope Kirkconnell	2006
John Kirkconnell	2006
	St. David's-on-the-Hill, Cranston
Lorena A. Brown	2006
Robert G. Brown	2006
Lynne E. Purdy	2006
Toni T. Harrison	2007
Antonio F. Oliver	2007
	Transfiguration, Cranston
John O. Shepard, Jr.	2006
William McCormick	2008
	Trinity, Cranston
Robert J. Geoffrey	2006
Shirley H. Halvarson	2006
Margaret Thomas	2006
Harry T. Allison	2008
	Emmanuel, Cumberland
Harry Bentley	2006
Jeanne Ikerman	2006
Karl Ikerman	2006
LeeAnn Lanciaux	2007
John Gelati	2008
Paul Lanciaux	2008
	St. Luke's, East Greenwich
Collin Barnett	2006
Harry J. Waterman	2006
Colleen P. Tolhurst	2007
Priscilla Wormwood	2007
Virginia Butler	2008
Elizabeth Fornal	2008
Ernest E. Slocum, Jr.	2008
	St. Mary's, East Providence
Beverly A. Edwards	2006
	St. Thomas, Greenville
Clarissa M.H. Patterson	2007

	St. Elizabeth's, Hope Valley
Beverly A. Anderson	2006
E. Harold Anderson	2006
David Hearty	2006
	St. Augustine's, Kingston
Nancy Lee Hampton-Beeley	2007
Ann Dunham	2007
Bruce Dunham	2007
Elinor Schneider	2007
Scott L. Sears	2008
	Christ Church, Lincoln
Patricia Cooper	2006
Robert R. Cutler	2007
Beryl E. Nichols	2007
Barbara E. Papineau	2007
	St. Andrew's-by-the-Sea, Little Compton
Suzie Burns	2006
George Owen Dexter	2006
Sidney Clifford	2007
	Holy Cross, Middletown
Mildred Ward	2007
	St. Columbas, Middletown
Florence Tobin	2008
	St. Peter's-by-the-Sea, Narragansett
Priscilla A. Durant	2006
Johanna Rakauskas	2006
Hillary I. Transue	2006
D. Verna Atwood	2007
F. William Davis	2007
Andrea Wilson	2007
	St. Paul's, North Kingstown
Linda L. Adamonis	2006
Martha A. Hitchcock	2006
Patricia b. Carlson	2007
Michael E. Cerullo, Jr.	2007
Pinkie Sweet Holland	2007
Ernest J. Houle	2007
Dora Martorelli	2007
Marci O'Connor	2007

Jane Tiernan Reilly	2007
Wilfred P. Royle	2007
Nancy C. Shore	2007
Margaret Moore Webb	2007
Marsha Welch	2007
Shawn Crawford	2008
	St. James, North Providence
Joan Dorney-Collins	2006
	Trinity, North Scituate
Raymond R. Lapointe	2006
Donna Tornatore	2006
Jane M. Dempsey	2008
Doreen Riley	2008
Cynthia Ann Starkey	2008
	Calvary, Pascoag
Richard B. Hillman	2006
Lois A. Whittaker	2006
Robert E. Whittaker	2006
	Good Shepherd, Pawtucket
Kenneth Lagerquist	2008
	St. Martin's, Pawtucket
Michael Lavoie	2006
	St. Paul's, Pawtucket
Muriel Carlson	2006
M. Carrie Ruo	2007
Rose Marques	2008
	St. Mary's, Portsmouth
Donald T. Heywood	2006
Thomas A. Brown	2008
Alexander Cozzens	2008
William Gagne	2008
	St. Paul's, Portsmouth
Linda M. Remington	2006
	All Saints' Memorial, Providence
Agnes L. Fox	2006
Rebecca Silliman	2006
Katharine M. Kreiser	2008

	Cathedral of St. John, Providence
Dorothy Brightman	2008
Millard Miller	2008
Nancy Soukup	2008
Kevin Valentine	2008
Arline Walker	2008
	Grace, Providence
Sidney Clifford, Jr.	2006
Rhea Brooks	2007
Lisa Peterson	2007
Jayne Fielding Platt	2007
Kevin W. Platt	2007
Eugene Reposa	2007
Christopher O. Utter	2007
	Messiah, Providence
Joseph J. Swinski, III	2006
Joan N. Melaragno	2007
	Redeemer, Providence
Rebecca Alberg	2007
	St. Martin's, Providence
Gail E. Peet	2006
Betsy Slocum	2006
Shirley N. Chace	2007
Deborah C.R. Cotter	2007
Denis Moonan	2007
Elke Moonan	2007
John F. Staniunas, Jr.	2007
Robin A. Bugbee	2008
	St. Peter & St. Andrew's, Providence
James L. Seavor	2007
Arthur J. Thomas	2008
	St. Mark's, Riverside
M. Jeanne Mason	2007
Judith Lewis Ouellette	2007
Constance Pascale	2007
Russell Grant, Jr.	2008
James Hummel	2008
Linda L. Lawson	2008
Phyllis Petter	2008
Kenneth Wilmot	2008

	St. Michael & Grace, Rumford
Sara Erskine	2008
Evelyn Hassell	2008
Lorraine Miranda	2008
	St. John the Divine, Saunderstown
Barbara Gadrow	2006
	Holy Trinity, Tiverton
Phyllis Currier	2007
Alan Locke	2007
	Ascension, Wakefield
Kathleen Wosencroft	2006
Margaret Collins	2008
Clifford Gardner	2008
Betty Jane Rocha	2008
	St. Mark's, Warren
Christina LaChapelle	2006
Cynthia LaChapelle	2008
	All Saints', Warwick
Gilbert Wiggins	2007
	St. Barnabas', Warwick
Dennis Bucco	2007
Valerie Dreyer	2008
	St. Mary's, Warwick
Marianne Collinson	2008
James Farrell	2008
Richard Robinson	2008
Denise P. Wilkinson	2008
	Christ Church, Westerly
Karen Hanson	2006
Julie Miller	2006
Kathleen Nicodemus	2006
Ernest Panciera, Jr.	2006
Frank Thacker	2006
Anne Burke	2007
	St. James', Woonsocket
Shirley E.G. Ayers	2006
Nancy E. Hudson	2006
Philip J. Huntley	2006
Irene Nebiker	2006
Debra J. Gomes Platt	2006
Steven F. Platt	2006
Edna M. Sacs	2008

**PLANT ASSETS – PROPERTIES OWNED
December 31, 2005**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Location</u>
Mission Churches:	
St. Thomas, Church	Carolina-Bradford Rd, Alton
St. Ann's-by-the-Sea	Spring St., New Shorham (Block Island)
St. Elizabeth's	Canonchet Rd., Hope Valley
Church of the Holy Spirit and Vacant Land	Post Rd., Charlestown 2 lots adjacent to Church
Christ Church	Peckham Lane, Coventry Center
St. Matthias Church & Vicarage	Nooseneck Hill Rd., Coventry
St. Augustine's Chapel, Canterbury House & Vicarage	Lower College Rd., Kingston
Church of the Holy Cross	West Main Rd., Middletown
Calvary Church and Vicarage	Broad St., Pascoag
Vacant Land	Hope Valley
Cathedral Close:	
Cathedral House and Annex	271 North Main St., Providence
Hallworth House	66 Benefit St., Providence
Hallworth House Parking Lot	Star St., Providence
Edwards Fund Homes	62, 74, 78, 80, 84, 88 Benefit St., Providence
Old Narragansett Church:	
Old Narragansett Church	North Side of Main St., N. Kingstown
The Greenway	Access to the church
Burial Ground	Shermantown Rd., N. Kingstown
Fowler Property	Vacant Land, Fowler St., N. Kingstown
Baker Property	Vacant Land, new Fowler St.
Miscellaneous Properties:	
Episcopal Conference Center	Reservoir Rd., Pascoag
May Cottage	Cold Spring Ln., No. Kingstown
Parking Lot	65 Benefit St., Providence

This is to certify that the above are Diocesan-owned properties.
The Rev. Dn. Barbara Mays-Stock, Secretary

Institutions in the Diocese of Rhode Island

St. Andrew's School	St. Elizabeth's Home
St. Mary's Home for Children	Seamen's Church Institute

**Non-Parochial Clergy Report
2005**

David A. Ames 130 Slater Avenue Providence, RI 02906	Interim Ministry, St. Martin's, Providence Interim Ministry, Grace, New Bedford, MA
Henry F. Anthony, II 727 Hampton Woods Lane, SW Vero Beach, FL 32962	Retired
William S. Anthony 360 Mt. Auburn St., Apt 101 Cambridge, MA 02138	Retired
Jean Barry 35C West Castle Way Charlestown, RI	Executive Director, Homeless Shelter and Soup Kitchen
Donald Belt 37 Shepard Avenue Providence, RI	Spiritual Direction Healing Service, Assistance
Hébert Bolles 45 DeArruda Terrace Portsmouth, RI	Assisting in Parishes when needed; Monthly Eucharist in Nursing Home
Janet Broadhead 44 Grinnell Street Jamestown, RI	Retired
Douglas Burger 214 Oakley Road Woonsocket, RI	Retired Chaplain at Mt. St. Francis Home and Ballou Home, Woonsocket
George M. Chaplin 1201 Capella S Newport, RI	Retired; Occasional Nursing Home Services
Michael Coburn 77 Daboll Street Providence, RI	Outreach, McAuley House; Sunday Supply
A. Royston Cochran 32 Lawnwood Road North Kingstown, RI	Retired

Maria DeCarvalho 18 Vassar Avenue Providence, RI	Assisting Spiritual Director, St. Luke's, East Greenwich
The Rev. Maj. N. Desrosiers, Jr. 11 WG/HC Bolling AFB Washington, DC	Chaplain, United States Air Force
Henry F. Fairman 73 Touisset Avenue Swansea, MA	Supply
James P. Frink 3A Grouse Trail Smithfield, RI	Supply
David M. Gillespie 2206 N. Hollow Road Rochester, VT	Supply, St. Philips, Tucsoax, Vermont
Harrington M. Gordon, Jr. 50 Kristen Court Warwick, RI	Celebrate Mass Tuesday mornings, St. Stephens, Providence; Volunteer "handy-man" at ECC
Roy D. Green, Jr. 1940 NW Monterey Pines #8 Bend, OR	Spiritual Care Hospice Patients, Bend, OR Occasional services at Sunriver Christian Fellowship, Sunriver, OR
Everett H. Greene 1117 Capella South Newport, RI	Retired; Some Supply
Reinhart B. Gutmann 11255 Woodbank Way Tuscaloosa, AL	Retired
Donald L. Hastings PO Box 372 East Boothbay, ME	Occasional Supply
Augustus L. Hemenway 175 Lloyd Avenue Providence, RI	Retired

Granville H. Henthorne
74 Evangeline Drive
PO Box 306
Brooksville, ME

Director, Logos House and Library,
of Theological Studies

Jean Webster-Hickox
289 Yagoo Pond Rd.
West Kingston, RI

Retired

George N. Hunt
249 Moll Drive
Windsor, CA

Retired Bishop; General Supply

Frederick K. Jellison
5 Wake Robin Road, Apt. 201
Lincoln, RI

Retired; Volunteer at mental health
facility

Ida R. Johnson
614 Arizona Street
Bisbee, AZ

Liason to Community of Bisbee & Naco

Michaela Johnson
1214 Noyes Drive
Silver Spring, MD

Chaplain, Washington Natl Cathedral;
Some Supply; Volunteer Interfaith Work

H. August Kuehl
40 Bagy Wrinkle Cove
Warren, RI

Retired

Richard T. Laremore
76 Norfolk Street
Cranston, RI

Supply

Sean Manchester
19 Trinity Parkway
Providence, RI

Chaplain, Eleanor Slater Hospital; Supply

Edward F. Mason
P.O. Box 770584
Lakewood, OH

Retired

James Patrick Mauney
P.O. Box 1236
Sagamore Beach, MA

Retired

Alan P. Maynard
164D Butler Avenue
Providence, RI

Retired; Member of Commission on
Ministry and Board Member of Salvation
Army

Barbara Mays-Stock
50 Charles Street
Cranston, RI

Food Pantry Ministry, Cranston

Joan McShane
266 Norfolk Avenue
Pawtucket, RI

Supply

Livingston T. Merchant
Robert College of Istanbul 34345
Arnavutkoy
Istanbul, Turkey

Head of Turkish School

Peter R. Michaelson
2 Gaspee Point Drive
Warwick, RI

Staff Work – North American Maritime
Ministry Association; Retired

Lorraine Mills-Curran
7 Kimball Road
Westboro, MA

DRE – St. Paul's, Natick MA

Eloise S. Neilsen
20 Exeter Boulevard
Narragansett, RI

Pastoral Care Team Lector and Chalicerist
at St. Peter's-by-the-Sea, Narragansett
as needed

Elizabeth M. Nestor
57 South Road
Wakefield, RI

Emergency Medicine M.D.

Janet W. Nunley
1414 Elm Street
Peekskill, NY

Deputy for Communication, Episcopal
Church Center, NY

William Payton
1861 Colland Drive
Atlanta, GA

Spiritual Direction and Liturgy work
Cathedral of St. Philip, Georgia

Paul G. Pickens
28 Sherman Avenue
Lincoln, RI

Retired

Pamela Rannenberg
442 Wickford Point Road
North Kingstown, RI

Director, Spiritual Care at Butler Hospital:
group, worship and individual pastoral care

Ann Holmes Redding
1245 10th Avenue East
Seattle, WA

Director of Faith Formation and Renewal at
St. Mark's Cathedral, WA

Marshall T. Rice
40 Boulder Avenue
Charlestown, RI

Facilitator, Fresh Start; Chaplain, Clergy
Widows

David Ryan
87 Governor's Hill
West Warwick, RI

Some Supply

M.P. Schneider
175 Ninth Avenue
Box 285
New York, NY

Student at GTS

Rich Schweinsburg
46 Fairway Drive
Coventry, RI

Chaplain, Casualty Operations Center,
U.S. Army

Keith E. Scott
103 Union Avenue South
Delmar, NY

Serving as Priest-in-Charge, Grace & Holy
Innocents, Albany, NY

Marcia A. Sessions
15 Hattie Avenue
Greenville, RI

Supply

Gardiner H. Shattuck, Jr.
190 North Street
Warwick, RI

Priest Associate, St. Stephen's, Providence
Supply, All Saints' in Warwick
Church Historian, guest speaker at seminars
Study of Armenian Genocide and the
Holocaust "American Protestant Responses
To Acts of Genocide, early 20th century"

Robert L. Shearer
156-20 Riverside Drive West #13-1
New York, NY

Interim Vicar, Christ Church in New
Brunswick, NJ

William N. Shumaker
66A Nipmuc Trail
North Providence, RI

Retired

Marlene Simonian
1346 Creek Nine Drive
North Port, FL

Sunday School Youth Teacher at St. James
in Port Charlotte, FL

Richard R. Simpson
277 High Street
Westerly, RI

Supply

Peter L. Spencer
107 Green Hill Avenue
Wakefield, RI

Chaplain, St. Elizabeth's Home

Frederick J. Spulnik
4873 Collwood Boulevard, Unit B
San Diego, CA

Retired

Gordon J. Stenning
36 Brant Road
Portsmouth, RI

Retired

Linda C. Strahan
103 Kay Street
Newport, RI

Counseling and Teaching

Henry G. Turnbull
P.O. Bo 266
Youngtown, AZ

Retired

Paul Twelves
341 Spinnaker Lane
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