



Seating of Honorary Canon at the Cathedral

The seating of The Reverend Fr. Shawn W. Denney as Honorary Canon of the Cathedral Church of St. Paul the Apostle took place on The Feast of St. Michael and All Angels, September 29th during a service of Solemn Evensong. Father David Boase preached the Homily and Dean Andrew Hook officiated the sung Office among those who gathered from throughout our Diocese to bring glory to God and to celebrate this vocational milestone. Pictured with Canon Denney are Diocesan clergy together with members of the Cathedral Chapter, servers, Bishop Burgess and Dean Andrew Hook. Deo gratias!



UPCOMING:

- 10/11 - Feast of Philip, Deacon & Evangelist
- 10/17 - Feast of Ignatius of Antioch
- 10/18 - Feast of Luke the Evangelist
- 10/20-21 - 146th Synod
- 10/23 - Feast of Saint James of Jerusalem
- 10/28 - Feast of Saints Simon and Jude



Bishop's Crozier Stand from St. John's

The Seventeen Sunday after Pentecost invited representatives from St. John's Church in Centralia to the Cathedral Church of St. Paul the Apostle in Springfield. Originally scheduled to attend a House of Bishop's meeting in the Dominican Republic, Bishop Burgess was available to be with our Cathedral community for Sunday Eucharist when it was announced that our Presiding Bishop was undergoing surgery and the HoB meeting was postponed until the Spring. With that schedule change, Patricia Patterson and Keith Carter brought forward a wooden stand for Bishop Burgess' traveling crozier, in the interest of eliminating his retiring of the crozier to pretty precarious positions within sanctuaries and



chancels around our Diocese when not being held. Dean Hook invited a moment of explanation, demonstration, thanksgiving, and blessing to include the Cathedral experiencing our Bishop's travel crozier for the first time. The crozier was made by artisans of Hayes & Finch of Liverpool, England, and gifted to him by his former parish on the day of his episcopal ordination. Crafted by Keith Carter, the stand is portable and fits unobtrusively within any liturgical space. Thank you to all the saints of St. John's in Centralia.

146th Annual Synod

The 146th Annual Synod of the Diocese of Springfield will take place October 20-21, 2023 at the Four Points by Sheraton, Fairview Heights, IL. It is being co-hosted by St. Michael's Episcopal Church in O'Fallon and St. George's Episcopal Church in Belleville.



The Diocese is invited to Holy Eucharist on Friday, October 20 at 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Episcopal Church in O'Fallon, IL. Denise Burgess will be holding a mini clergy spouse retreat on Saturday, October 21 beginning 7:30 a.m. during Synod. You can find more information on Synod by visiting our website episcopalspringfield.org/resources/synod-2023. Hotel information, the schedule, and nominee's can be found there. We are also collecting photos from this past year from around the Diocese for a slideshow at Synod. If you have photos you'd like to submit to the slideshow please send them to communicator@episcopalspringfield.org. These photos should pertain to parish life.



All Souls Day at St. Barnabas', Havana

You are happily yet solemnly invited to the Feast of all the Faithful Departed on November 2nd at 5:30 p.m., where in which we as Christians of all stripes can lift our voices in prayer to God for the souls of family members and other relations. This service typically is a difficult one for all involved, as it is always hard to reconcile with a lost loved one regardless of relation. Yet, the beauty of this service is the reassurance of the ever-encompassing mercy and love of God for all those who trust in him. It was and is a tradition of the Church to ask for any names of deceased family members or other relations to be prayed for at the service itself. Whether you decide to attend or not, if you wish to have a name prayed for, please send said name to our email addresses at stbarnabashavana@gmail.com. Please note that after the service, there will be light refreshments and fellowship to follow. We pray to see you there!

*May the Souls of All the Faithful Departed Rest in Peace.
And Let Light Perpetual Shine Upon them.*

Sincerely,
Fr. Dante' Anglin
Priest-in-Charge, St. Barnabas Episcopal Church

Our Lady of Walsingham

The Church of the Holy Trinity in Danville (308 North Vermilion Street Danville, IL) extends an invitation to the Diocese to join them for devotion to Our Lady of Walsingham on Sunday, October 15th, at 3:00 p.m. with the recitation of the rosary beginning at 2:45 p.m.

In the 11th century a faithful widow by the name of Richeldis in Norfolk, England prayed to the Blessed Virgin Mary seeking to venerate her in a special way. Mary led Richeldis to the house where she received the message from the angel Gabriel. She told Richeldis the exact dimensions of this house





so that she could build one in England in honor of Mary's faithful "yes" to the message. Holy sites grew in popularity throughout the middle ages and Walsingham became a great place of veneration to our Lord and Lady and especially in remembrance of our Lady's faithfulness to God. Walsingham has continued to be an ecumenical holy site of devotion to our Lady but especially for Anglicans. Our Lady of Walsingham is the official national shrine to the Blessed Virgin Mary in England.

The feast of our Lady of Walsingham used to be celebrated on the feast of the Annunciation but in more recent times has been changed to September 15th or 24th. For more information visit <https://www.walsinghamanglican.org.uk>

*O alone of all women, Mother and Virgin,
Mother most happy, Virgin most pure,
now we sinful as we are, come to see thee
who are all pure, we salute thee, we
honour thee as how we may with our
humble offerings; may thy Son grant us,
that imitating thy most holy manners, we
also, by the grace of the Holy Ghost may
deserve spiritually to conceive the Lord
Jesus in our inmost soul, and once
conceived never to lose him. Amen.*

UNITED THANK OFFERING FALL INGATHERING

It's autumn and time for UTO Fall Ingathering. Letters were sent out to all churches, parishes and UTO congregational coordinators the week of September 25th. Please plan to hold your Ingathering between October 8th through November 19th. Feel free to contact me if you need additional blue boxes or envelopes for your Fall Ingathering. Blessings to all!

Joyce C. Wright
UTO Coordinator



Upcoming Events at Nashotah House

The Rev. Dale Coleman (St. Andrew's, Carbondale) will be giving a talk at Nashotah House Theological Seminary on November 7th at 8:00 PM. The topic is "Learning to Read Sacred Scripture From Archbishop Michael Ramsey, at Nashotah House, 1977-1980". We hope you'll be able to join our own Fr. Coleman for this talk at Nashotah House.



We are excited to host New Testament scholar, New York Times contributing Opinion writer, and Nashotah House alumnus the Rev. Esau McCaulley, PhD, for a discussion of his new book, *How Far to the Promised Land*, an intergenerational account of his family's search for home and hope on the evening of November 3rd. Make plans to join us at 7 p.m. for light refreshments, followed by the program at 7:30 p.m. in Adams Hall.

Get equipped to explore the Word of God with the Church's youngest members in our upcoming Preaching with Children Workshop on April 24, 2024 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Whether you are a priest, teacher, chaplain, or Sunday School leader, this workshop will offer practical help in crafting homilies specifically for children. Drawing on insights gleaned over the past 70 years within the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd movement, Dr. Ann Garrido will introduce key characteristics of childhood and children's spirituality and present ways to reflect on Scripture through the lens of the young child.

From the Episcopal Church National Office

The United Thank Offering Board is pleased to announce the availability of its **2024 UTO Annual Grants**, with a focus on projects that welcome and include “the stranger.” Application deadlines are Dec. 1 for Anglican Communion partners and Jan. 19 for dioceses of The Episcopal Church.

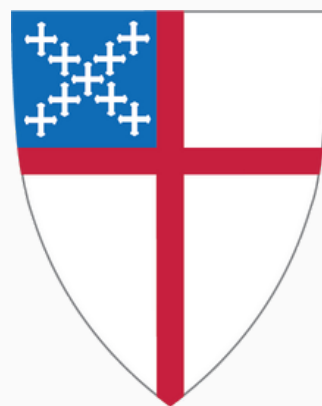
More information—including criteria for applicants, sample budgets and timelines, and helpful hints—as well as application and other forms are available online in English and Spanish. Instructional videos created by the UTO grants committee will be posted **online**.

In addition, informational webinars will be held throughout the fall, as well as monthly open office hours for staff to work directly with applicants on their materials. **See dates and registration links.**

Episcopal teens ages 16 to 19 are invited to apply to become part of the 81st General Convention’s Official Youth Presence, a group whose members have seat and voice in the House of Deputies and can testify at hearings before and during the summer 2024 convention. The deadline to apply is Nov. 17.

Up to two youth from each of the church’s nine provinces will be selected to participate in the Official Youth Presence from June 20-28, 2024, in Louisville, Kentucky. Youth who are selected must also attend orientation and training in Louisville from Feb. 16-19. The Episcopal Church budget covers travel, lodging, and meals for those attending orientation and General Convention.

Applications and **nomination forms**—in English and Spanish—can be found online, as well as additional criteria and information for potential applicants. Nominators must not be related to the applicant.





From Province V

Province V 2023 Campus Minister Fall Retreat

October 17-19, 2023 at Holy Wisdom Monastery, Madison, WI

Cost: \$50 covers registration and housing at the monastery

This annual retreat is held to support professional Campus Ministers. If you minister to campuses, either through a stand-alone campus ministry or a parish, you are invited to this event. It is a great opportunity to network and build relationships with others working in campus ministries. This retreat is made possible with the support of Living Compass and Holy Wisdom Monastery.

More information and a link to registration:

<https://www.provincev.org/yacm.html>

If you have questions about this event, you can reach out to Bobbi Kraft, Milwaukee: bobbi@diomil.org. If you are a Campus or Young Adult Minister, there is a google group where resources are shared. Contact Matthew Lukens <matthew.m.lukens@gmail.com> to get added to that list.

Still trying to figure out if Leadership Coaching is right for you, or for your committee, to achieve your 'hard to reach,' 'taking too long,' or 'need to stay on track' goal?? Having trouble finding the right words to explain how coaching can help?

[Check out the new video!](#)

Leadership Coaching Project:

<https://www.provincev.org/lcp.html>

The Feast of Saints Simon and Jude at St. Paul's, Pekin

On Friday, October 27th at 5:30pm, St. Paul's Pekin will host an Evensong for the Feast of Saints Simon & Jude. The service is jointly celebrated by St. Paul's, Pekin, St. Barnabas', Havana, and All Saints', Morton. Fr. Jonathan Butcher will officiate, Fr. Dante Anglin will cantor, and Kim Wiese will serve as organist. All are welcome to join. Afterward, there will be a bonfire with hot dogs and s'mores at the church.



Lessons & Carols at All Saints, Morton

All Saints', Morton invites you to a celebration of Lessons & Carols on Sunday, December 3rd. The festival will take us through the expectation of Advent and into the joy of Christmas, giving a microcosm of the seasons to help set the tone for December. The service will be preceded by a High Tea at 3:00pm in the church undercroft. The festival service will begin at 4:00pm.



Service of Lessons and Carols at St. George's School, Rhode Island

Other Information

Please include those in our Diocese who are pursuing Holy Orders in your prayers:

Danny Shuler, Postulant, St. Thomas, Salem

You can visit our website to check out the most up-to-date prayer calendar ([click here](#)) information or our diocesan calendar ([click here](#)) with feasts and other events listed for around the Diocese.

The Michael 2023 issue of the Springfield Current will be hitting your doorstep soon! You can access the Springfield Current through our website at episcopalspringfield.org/news/springfield-current. You can also sign up to receive a hard copy of the Current to your doorstep free of charge on that same webpage. If you would like to change or update your subscription for the Springfield Current or our monthly e-news please visit episcopalspringfield.org/subscribe



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