Grace and Peace to you in the name of our living Lord.

I am pleased to announce that Holy Trinity Anglican Parish in Hillsdale, Michigan has called the Venerable Alan Crippen as its new Rector. It was my great privilege to grant approval and consent to their selection.

Alan brings decades of ministry and leadership experience to his new ministry. After matriculating with his Bachelor of Science from Cairn University in 1984 and Master of Arts in Religion from Westminster Theological Seminary in 1989, while simultaneously serving as an officer in the United States Army, he continued to lead in executive roles for many national organizations, including Cairn University, the Institute for Family Studies and the Family Research Council. He was the Founding President of the John Jay Institute and became the Executive Director of the Faith and Liberty Initiative of the American Bible Society in 2016. Alan was collated as an Archdeacon within this diocese in 2013 and I am very grateful for the valued counsel I receive from him as one of the Bishop’s Advisors.

The current rector of the parish, the Rev. Adam Rick has been dividing his time between parish ministry and his role as Chaplain at Hillsdale College. Adam will be engaged in his chaplaincy duties full time and will remain canonically resident within the diocese. He will remain a familiar face at Holy Trinity.

I invite you to pray this prayer with me for the Ven. Alan Crippen and Holy Trinity Anglican Parish:

“Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear our prayers, and grant that in Holy Trinity Anglican Parish the pure Word of God may be preached and the Sacraments duly administered. Strengthen and confirm the faithful; protect and guide the children; visit and relieve the sick; turn and soften the wicked; arouse the careless; recover the fallen; restore the penitent; remove all hindrances to the advancement of your truth; and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”

Bishop Julian M. Dobbs
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