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Dear Springfield Diocesan Family,

On Saturday, August 30, 2008, Bishop Keith Ackerman of Quincy and I will convene a joint meeting for clergy and lay leaders from both Dioceses. The purpose of the meeting will be for us to report on and discuss the GAFCON and Lambeth Conferences held this summer.

Our gathering will be held at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Springfield, beginning at 10 a.m. and concluding by 3 p.m. In order to keep costs to a minimum, we ask that you bring your own sack lunch. Drinks will be provided.

It is my expectation that all clergy will be present, unless you have contacted me personally with a request to be excused. It is my hope that there will be representation from among the lay leadership of each congregation as well.

Please mark your calendars and plan to be present with us for this important discussion.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "+Peter H. Beckwith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

+Peter H. Beckwith
Bishop of Springfield