

## 2010 Journal

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**133<sup>rd</sup> Synod of the Episcopal Diocese of Springfield  
October 9 - 10, 2010**

**Hosted by the Chapel of St. John the Divine and Emmanuel Memorial Church, Champaign**

**MINUTES OF THE SYNOD**

- 1. Call to Order and Invocation:* The One Hundred Thirty Third Synod of the Episcopal Diocese of Springfield convened at the I Hotel and Conference Center in Champaign, Illinois, and was called to order by the Rev. Dr. Anthony B. Holder, President of the Standing Committee, at 12: 06 PM on Friday, October 9, 2010. Fr. Holder opened the business session of the Synod with prayer.
- 2. Election of a President Pro Tempore:* Fr. Holder was elected *President Pro Tempore* of the Synod by voice vote.
- 3. Report on Registrations/Quorum:* The Very Rev. Gene R. Tucker, Secretary of the Diocese, reported that forty four (44) clergy delegates had registered, and that seventy (70) lay delegates had registered. A quorum for the conduct of business was then declared.
- 4. Welcome:* The Very Rev. Timothy J. Hallett, Rector of the Chapel of St. John the Divine, and the Rev. Alan A. Herbst, Rector of Emmanuel Memorial Church, Champaign, welcomed Synod delegates and guests to the I Hotel and Conference Center on behalf of the two host parishes. Delegates were reminded of the Synod's theme, "Deus Dat Incrementum: God Gives the Increase." The 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the campus ministry on the University of Illinois campus was also noted. Fr. Holder added his welcome, as well, noting that this was the third Synod to be held by the Diocese during the year.
- 5. Approval of Minutes of the 132<sup>nd</sup> Synod:* The Minutes of the 132<sup>nd</sup> Synod were approved as presented by voice vote.
- 6. Appointments to Continuing Committees and of the Parliamentarian:* The President appointed as members of the Synod Committee and as Parliamentarian those were listed in Appendix I, page 83 of the Synod booklet.
- 7. Election of the Secretary of the Diocese and the Appointment of an Assistant Secretary:* The Very Rev. Gene R. Tucker was re-elected Secretary of the Diocese by voice vote. Fr. Tucker then appointed the Rev. Sylvia L. Howard, Deacon, as Assistant Secretary.
- 8. Disposition of issues pertaining to the seating of delegates:* No issues concerning the seating of delegates were reported.
- 9. Appointment of Inspectors of Elections:* The President appointed those who were listed in Appendix I, page 83 of the Synod Agenda as Inspectors of Elections.
- 10. Remarks by the President, the Standing Committee:* Fr. Holder delivered the remarks. As part of his remarks, Fr. Holder introduced the Rev. Daniel H. Martins, Bishop-elect.

*11. Resolutions:* The Very Rev. Canon Richard A. Swan, Chair of the Resolutions Committee, then presented Courtesy Resolutions 10-C-1, 10-C-2, 10-C-3, 10-C-4, and 10-C-5 and to the delegates. (The text of these resolutions appears as Appendix A to these minutes.) All five resolutions were approved by voice vote.

(A motion was made, seconded, and approved by voice vote to amend the schedule to allow the Bishop-elect to address the Synod. In his remarks, Fr. Martins said that he was “humbled by the confidence shown in me”. An “avalanche of messages” had poured in, he added. He said that his impression of the Diocese could be summed up in the words of Ezekiel’s vision in chapter 37: “Can these bones live?” He said that he was convinced that the Diocese has plenty of life within it, adding that we must remember what the Lord can do with His immense resources. “Old things are being made new,” he said, noting that the Diocese does have a message to share with others. “Can we dream big dreams together?” he asked, adding that “We must listen to the persistent voice of the Holy Spirit.” Fr. Martins asked that each church in the Diocese who has a pictorial directory of its members provide him with a copy of it.)

*12. Report – Treasurer:* Mr. James R. Donkin, Treasurer of the Diocese, offered the Treasurer’s Report (pages 1 – 7 of the Synod booklet). In reviewing the events of 2009, Mr. Donkin added that, through the end of August, 2010, the Diocese has experienced a budgetary surplus of c. \$148,000.00, of which the vacancy in the episcopate accounts for about \$98,000.00. He said that the expected surplus by year’s end will be about \$50,000.00. The report was then accepted as presented by Synod on a voice vote.

*13. Report - Department of Finance:* On behalf of the Department of Finance, Mr. Donkin then presented the Proposed 2011 budget for consideration (pages 8 – 12 of the Synod booklet). In remarks made in connection with his presentation, Mr. Donkin noted that the proposed budget envisions a salary increase of 1.5% for staff members. Health insurance premiums are expected to rise by approximately 8% for 2011. A 3% increase in pledges by churches is envisioned for 2011, and a 4% draw from investments is planned. A discussion of line item 5302 (Outreach Fund of Non-Diocesan Expense) ensued. Discussion centered on the relationship of the Diocese to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society (DFMS), particularly with respect to the amount of monetary support which is sent forward to DFMS from the Diocese. A vote by orders to table a motion to change line item 5302 so that its entire amount would go forward to DFMS was defeated. The vote was: Clerical order: For: 31 Against: 11; Lay order: For 32 Against 34. A motion was made to amend the budget, creating a new line item (5303) in addition to line item 5302, whose proceeds would go forward from the Diocese to DFMS. Following discussion, this motion was approved by voice vote. A question about the Hale Deaneries’ revenues (line item 4072) was posed to the Treasurer. In response, the Treasurer said that the Hale Deanery Team Ministry consists of five churches, which are served by two fulltime priests (and other part-time clergy). Revenues come from grant monies and from Team Ministry contributions from the five churches. The proposed budget was then adopted as presented by voice vote. The President *Pro Tempore* thanked the Treasurer for his work.

*14. Reports – Continuing Committees:* Reports of Continuing Committees were presented, as follows: a. Credentials: No report; b. Dispatch of Business: No report; c. Incorporation/Admission of Parishes: No issues to report; d. Privilege: All questions of privilege were resolved with the adoption of the Courtesy Resolutions; e. Legislation: No

legislation has been proposed; f. Resolutions: Resolution 10-P-1 (Stewardship) was presented for consideration (see page 13 of the Synod booklet for a complete text). A discussion of the resolution ensued. A motion to remove the phrase “all deliberate speed” from the resolution was approved by voice vote. The resolution was then adopted as amended by voice vote.

*15. Elections:* The following persons were elected: (Note: Elections and balloting – in some cases – extended throughout the business sessions of Synod into Saturday afternoon.)

Treasurer – Mr. James R. Donkin  
Standing Committee (Clergy) – The Rev. Geoffrey E. L. Scanlon  
Standing Committee (Lay ) – Mrs. Gay Bryant  
Trustee – Mr. Donald Monty  
Diocesan Council (Clergy) – The Rev. David J. Halt  
Diocesan Council (Lay) – Mrs. Ruth Wene  
Commission on Ministry (Clergy) – The Rev. Sheryl Black  
Commission on Ministry (Lay) – Mr. John Iliff  
Ecclesiastical Trial Court (Clergy) – The Rev. Dr. Keith R. Roderick  
The Rev. James Cravens  
Ecclesiastical Trial Court (Lay) – Mr. Charles Stuckey  
Provincial Synod Delegate (Lay) – Mr. Charles Palm  
General Convention Deputies (Clergy) – The Rev. Christopher L. Ashmore  
The Ven. Shawn W. Denney  
The Rev. Geoffrey E. L. Scanlon  
The Very Rev. Gene R. Tucker  
General Convention Deputies (Lay) – Mr. Kevin Babb  
Mrs. Elisabeth Langford  
Mr. Gerry Smith  
Mr. Frederick P. Velde  
General Convention Alternate Deputies (Clergy) –  
The Rev. David J. Boase  
The Rev. David J. Halt  
The Very Rev. Canon Richard A. Swan  
The Rec. M. C. Mollie Ward  
General Convention Alternate Deputies (Lay) –  
Mr. Charles T. Evans  
Mrs. Angela D. Rowe  
Mr. Mark Opp  
Mr. Joe Patterson

*16. Report of the Trustees:* This report was filed by title, and was accepted by Synod on a voice vote. (The Independent Auditor’s Report for calendar year 2009, prepared by Allen K. Murphy, is attached as Appendix B.)

*17. Deanery Report:* Reports for the Deaneries were filed by title. It was announced that the Rev. Christopher L. Ashmore would become Dean of the Northwestern Deanery.

*18. Reports – Division of Administration and Finance:*

*Department of Stewardship:* By title. Fr. Kellington thanked the Synod for adopting the Stewardship Department's resolution.

*Department of General Mission Strategy:* By title.

*Department of Communication:* By title.

*19. Reports – Division of Mission and Worship:*

*Department of Christian Education:* No report.

*Education for Ministry:* By title.

*Department of Evangelism and Spiritual Enrichment:* By title.

*Prayer Fellowship:* By title.

*Armed Forces Commission:* By title.

*Cursillo:* By title.

*Department of Christian Social Concerns:* Report deferred until Saturday.

*Department of Young Adult and Higher Education Ministries:* By title.

*Department of Ecumenical Relations:* By title.

The Synod recessed at 4:29 p. m., and gathered for Evensong in the Chapel of St. John the Divine at 5:30 p. m. The Synod Banquet was held beginning at 6:30 p. m. in the I Hotel and Conference Center..

On Saturday morning, the Synod Eucharist was celebrated in Emmanuel Memorial Church, beginning at 8:00 a. m..

The Synod reconvened at the I Hotel and Conference Center at 10:22 a. m. on Saturday morning.

*Department of Youth Work:* By title.

*Youth Work Week:* By title. During its presentation, Chair Mr. Joe Hooten noted that openings continue to exist in various Youth Department activities and boards. Upcoming offerings of the Department include: New Beginnings February 18 – 20, 2011; and Happening November 5 – 7, 2010 (and again in March, 2011). Other offerings include: Work Week, Church Camp, the Agape Festival, and Youthquake. A question was raised about the sponsorship of Church Camp in connection with the involvement of the Episcopal Diocese of Quincy. The President said that the Bishop needed to be involved in the decision-making

process about the future of the Camp once he takes office, so it would be inappropriate for Synod to take up the matter.

*Episcopal Church Camp of Illinois:* By title.

*Happening:* By title.

*New Beginnings:* By title.

*Department of National and World Missions:* No report.

20. *Report of the Secretary:* By title.

21. *Report of the Standing Committee:* By title.

22. *Report of the Commission on Ministry:* By title.

*Board of Examining Chaplains:* By title.

*Springfield School for Ministry:* By title.

23. *Report of the Chancellor:* By title.

24. *Report of the Historiographer:* By title.

25. *Other Reports:*

*Episcopal Church Women:* By title. The Chair noted that the ECW Lenten Retreat would be held in March, 2011. The Rev. Mollie Ward reported on the results of the ECW Outreach Project for the year: The project's fundraising goal was \$10,000.00, but a total of \$13,914.44 was raised. Of the total raised, \$12,351.22 was devoted to the solar cooker project, while \$1,559.22 was to the "Remembering Hearts" project. Mo. Ward reported on the ECW's new project, which is entitled "Trickle Up", a ministry that seeks to enable families set up small business ventures in developing countries.

*Church Periodical Club:* By title.

*United Thank Offering:* By title.

26. *Miscellaneous Business:* The President asked that Synod delegates note especially those persons who were newly appointed to the positions listed on pages 79 – 81 of the Synod booklet. Synod accepted by voice vote those persons who were so presented to be Chairs of the various Divisions, Departments, Commissions and Fellowships, Chancellor of the Diocese, Dean of the Springfield School for Ministry, Deputy Chancellor, Historiographer and Historiographer Emerita, Cursillo Spiritual Director, and Representatives to Diocesan Council, and to be Deans and Deanery Representatives to Council. The President then announced the names of those who

would serve as Deans and as Deanery Representatives in the coming year, as elected by their deaneries.

(The President announced that the Standing Committee would meet following the recess of Synod.)

28. *Good of the Order: ECW Outreach projects:* Mo. Ward thanked the Synod and members of the Diocese for their support of the ECW's outreach projects in the year past. Stewardship Resolution: Mr. Chuck Evans urged Vestries and Bishop's Committees to support and adopt the Stewardship Resolution which was adopted by Synod. Thanks to Fr. Tony Holder: The Synod expressed its thanks to Fr. Tony Holder for his work in leading the Diocese during the transitional period following Bishop Beckwith's retirement. It was announced that Fr. Holder had accepted a call to be Rector of a parish in the Diocese of Southeast Florida.

29. *Committee on Resolutions:* The Very Rev. Robert Brodie presented Courtesy Resolutions 10-C-06, 10-C-07, 10-C-08 and 10-C-9 on behalf of the Very Rev. Canon Richard A. Swan, which were approved by voice vote (the texts of these resolutions may be found at Appendix C of these minutes).

(Since some balloting was not completed, the Synod recessed at 12:24 p. m., and reconvened for business at Emmanuel Memorial Church at 1:00 p. m.)

*Department of Christian Social Concerns:* By title.

30. *Invitation to the One Hundred Thirty-Fourth Synod:* The Very Rev. Canon Dale D. Coleman, Rector of St. George's, Belleville, issued an invitation to the Diocese to attend the 134<sup>th</sup> Synod on October 21 - 22, 2011.

(Balloting continued for General Convention Deputies (Lay), and for General Convention Alternate Deputies (Lay). The Rev. Alan J. Herbst, Rector of Emmanuel Memorial Church, offered a meditation and prayer. Hymn # 657 was sung by all. A time of silent prayer and meditation was observed. The election was concluded successfully.)

31. *Benediction and Adjournment:* The President adjourned the business session at 1: 54 p. m. A closing prayer was offered by the Very Rev. Timothy J. Hallett (the senior active priest in the Diocese.)

Respectfully submitted,  
The Very Rev. Gene R. Tucker  
Secretary

Appendices:

- A – Resolutions 10-C-1 through 10-C-5
- B - Independent Auditor's Report, Allen K. Murphy, CPA
- C – Resolutions 10-C-6 through 10-C-9

## ***APPENDIX I***

### **CLERICAL MEMBERS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE – 133<sup>rd</sup> SYNOD**

*An asterisk (\*) indicates presence at Synod*

#### **BISHOPS**

The Rt. Rev. Peter H. Beckwith  
The Rt. Rev. Donald M. Hultstrand  
\*The Rt. Rev. Dr. Donald J. Parsons

#### **PRIESTS AND DEACONS**

The Rev. David M. Adams  
\*The Rev. Ann L. Alley  
\*The Rev. Christopher L. Ashmore  
\*The Rev. Richard Bennett  
\*The Rev. Dr. Virginia L. Bennett  
\*The Very Rev. John C. Bettmann  
\*The Rev. Sheryl L. Black  
The Rev. Canon Elliot H. Blackburn  
The Rev. Carl R. Bloom  
\*The Rev. David J. Boase  
\*The Rev. Phillip D. Boeve  
\*The Rev. Martha J. Bradley  
\*The Very Rev. Robert E. Brodie  
The Rev. Dr. Charles F. Caldwell  
\*The Rev. Canon Dale D. Coleman  
\*The Rev. M. Joan Coleman  
\*The Rev. Donald E. Coventry  
\*The Rev. James O. Cravens  
\*The Rev. Thomas A. Davis  
\*The Rev. Bruce U. DeGooyer  
\*The Ven. Shawn W. Denney  
The Rev. Paul R. Dicks  
\*The Rev. William R. Easterling  
The Rev. James W. Evans  
The Rev. James H. Fedosuk  
\*The Rev. Allan L. Feltner  
The Rev. Gregory L. Flentje  
\*The Rev. Dr. Desmond C. Francis  
The Rev. Gus L. Franklin  
\*The Rev. Timothy A. Goodman  
\*The Rev. Jon E. Griffin  
\*The Rev. Dr. Eugene E. Hall  
\*The Very Rev. Timothy J. Hallett  
\*The Rev. David J. Halt  
\*The Rev. Robert D. Harmon

The Rev. Brant V. Hazlett  
\*The Rev. Alan A. Herbst, ossje  
The Rev. Arnold R. Hoffman  
\*The Very Rev. Dr. Anthony B. Holder  
\*The Rev. Christine C. Hopkins  
\*The Rev. G. William Howard, III  
\*The Rev. Sylvia L. Howard  
The Rev. Benjamin H. Hunter  
The Rev. Dr. Daniel N. Karanja  
\*The Very Rev. Brian T. Kellington  
\*The Rev. Laurie R. Kellington  
\*The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford  
The Rev. Donald H. Langlois  
The Rev. Maurice C. Lee  
The Rev. Philip M. Lewis  
\*The Rev. Dr. William N. Malottke  
The Rev. Canon William H. Moore, Jr.  
The Rev. Frank P. Munoz  
The Rev. Harry G. Newman, Jr.  
The Rev. Thomas D. Patton  
\*The Rev. Canon Dr. George E. Pence  
The Rev. T. Larison Phillips  
\*The Rev. Gerald W. Raschke  
\*The Rev. Charles J. Reischman  
The Rev. John D. Richmond  
\*The Rev. Dr. Keith R. Roderick  
\*The Rev. Geoffrey E. L. Scanlon  
The Rev. Donald J. Schroeder  
The Rev. J. Victor Sheldon  
The Rev. Wayne S. Shipley  
The Rev. Canon Eugene A. Stormer  
\*The Very Rev. Richard A. Swan  
\*The Rev. Steven T. Thorp  
\*The Rev. Ann H. Tofani  
The Rev. William L. Toland, Jr.  
\*The Rev. Dr. Gregory A. Tournoux  
\*The Very Rev. Gene R. Tucker  
The Rev. Dr. John F. Wall  
\*The Rev. M. C. Mollie Ward  
The Rev. Mark S. Winward

## ELECTED LAY DELEGATES – 133<sup>rd</sup> SYNOD

*An asterisk (\*) indicates presence at Synod*

### **Albion, St. John's**

\*Mr. Dan Scherer

### **Alton, Episcopal Parish**

\*Mr. Al Hill

\*Ms. Jane Hill

\*Ms. Susan Lukasik

\*Mr. Alvin Lynn

\*Ms. Gay Bryant

### **Belleville, St. George's**

\*Ms. Marilyn Belleville

\*Mr. Chuck Evans

\*Ms. Cindy Lynk

\*Mr. Frank Rogers

\*Ms. Michelle Ziegler

### **Bloomington, St. Matthew's**

\*Mr. Chris Bennett

\*Mr. John Iliff

\*Mr. Justin Palm

\*Mr. Charles Palm

\*Ms. Julie Bennett

### **Cairo, Redeemer**

Ms. Louise Ogg

### **Carbondale, St. Andrew's**

\*Mr. Donald Monty

### **Carlinville, St. Paul's**

\*Mr. William Ogle

### **Centralia, St. John's**

\*Mr. Keith O'Dell Carter

### **Champaign, St. John the Divine**

\*Mr. Steven Vaughan

\*Ms. Ruth Wene

\*Mr. Robert Delvin

\*Mr. John Paul Buzard

### **Champaign, Emmanuel**

\*Mr. Bob McQueen

\*Mr. Randy Kobel

\*Dr. Linda Meyer

\*Mr. Alan Ryle

\*Ms. Lynn Ryle

### **Chesterfield, St. Peter's**

\*Ms. Elizabeth Ross

### **Danville, Holy Trinity**

\*Ms. Karlynn Keith

\*Ms. Kathie Schmitt

\*Ms. Marti Coffman

### **Decatur, St. John's**

\*Ms. Dee Coventry

\*Mr. Allan Bell

\*Mr. Bob Ellison

\*Ms. Jayne Evey

### **Edwardsville, St. Andrew's**

\*Ms. Fredna Scroggins

\*Mrs. Miriam Burns

\*Mr. Lance Greve

### **Effingham, St. Laurence**

\*Ms. Carolyn Pogue

### **Glen Carbon, St. Thomas'**

\*Mr. John Bell

### **Granite City, St. Bartholomew's**

\*Mr. Robert Butler

### **Harrisburg, St. Stephen's**

\*Ms. Jane Baglio

### **Havana, St. Barnabas'**

\*Mr. Mark Opp

### **Jacksonville, Trinity**

\*Ms. Elisabeth Langford

**Lincoln, Trinity**  
\*Ms. Stacie Wachtel

**Marion, St. James'**  
\*Mr. James Eberts

**Mattoon, Trinity**  
\*Dr. David Maurer

**McLeansboro, St. James'**  
\*Mrs. Karen Lapington

**Morton, All Saints'**  
\*Ms. Carolyn Luthy

**Mt. Carmel, St. John the Baptist**  
\*Mr. Don Kensell

**Mt. Vernon, Trinity**  
\*Mr. Barney Bruce  
\*Ms. Joyce Bruce

**Normal, Christ the King**  
\*Mr. Rod Matthews  
\*Mr. Gerry Smith

**O'Fallon, St. Michael's**  
\*Mrs. Jean Anderson  
\*Mrs. Nancy Machmer  
\*Mr. Mark Waight

**Paris, St. Andrew's**  
No delegate

**Pekin, St. Paul's**  
\*Dr. Stephen Pearson

**Rantoul, St. Christopher's**  
\*Mr. John Orr

**Robinson, St. Mary's**  
Mr. R. J. Rains

**Salem, St. Thomas'**  
\*Mr. Danny Shuler

**Springfield, Cathedral**  
\*Ms. Susan Beard  
\*Ms. Martha Kichinko  
\*Mr. Joe Patterson  
Ms. Claire Ribelin  
\*Mr. Norman Taylor

**Springfield, Christ Church**  
\*Mr. James Cornelius  
\*Mr. Jim Donkin  
\*Ms. JoAnne Tanner

**Springfield, St. Luke's**  
\*Ms. Wendy Lyons  
\*Ms. Alice Page

**West Frankfort, St. Mark's**  
Mrs. Cathy Wilson

## ***APPENDIX II***

### **SYNOD COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

*\* Indicates Chair of Committee*

Inspectors of Elections - Clerical	The Rev. David J. Boase Mr. Donald Monty
Inspectors of Elections - Lay	The Rev. Sheryl L. Black Mr. Norman Taylor
Committee on Credentials	*The Very Rev. Brian T. Kellington Mrs. Elizabeth Ross Mr. Gerry Smith
Committee on Dispatch of Business	*The Rev. Alan A. Herbst, ossje Mr. Charles Ferguson
Committee on Incorporation and Admission of Parishes and Organized Missions	*Mr. Frederick P. Velde Mr. Kevin J. Babb The Rev. William L. Toland
Committee on Privilege	* Dr. Stephen Pearson Mr. Mark Opp
Committee on Legislation (Constitution & Canons)	*The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford The Ven. Shawn W. Denney Mr. Frederick P. Velde Mr. Kevin J. Babb
Committee on Resolutions	* The Very Rev. Canon Richard A. Swan The Very Rev. Robert E. Brodie Mr. Barney Bruce Mrs. Elisabeth Langford
Parliamentarian	Mr. Kevin J. Babb

## ***APPENDIX III***

### **SUMMARY OF ELECTIONS**

<b>Secretary (1 clerical – 1 yr.):</b>	The Rev. Gene R. Tucker
<b>Treasurer (1 person – 1 yr.):</b>	James R. Donkin
<b>Standing Committee (1 Clergy – 4 yr.):</b>	The Rev. Geoffrey E.L. Scanlon
<b>Standing Committee (1 Lay – 4 yr.):</b>	Gay Bryant
<b>Trustee (1 Member – 5 yr.):</b>	Donald Monty
<b>Diocesan Council (1 Clergy – 2 yr.):</b>	The Rev. David J. Halt
<b>Diocesan Council (1 Lay – 2 yr.):</b>	Ruth Wene
<b>Commission on Ministry (1 Clergy – 6 yr.):</b>	The Rev. Sheryl L. Black
<b>Commission on Ministry (1 Lay – 6 yr.):</b>	John Iliff
<b>Ecclesiastical Trial Court (2 Clergy – 3 yr.):</b>	The Rev. Dr. Keith R. Roderick The Rev. James O. Cravens
<b>Ecclesiastical Trial Court (1 Lay – 3 yr.):</b>	Charles Stuckey
<b>Provincial Synod Delegate (1 person – 3 yr.):</b>	Charles Palm
<b>General Convention Deputy - 2012 (4 clerical):</b>	The Rev. Christopher L. Ashmore The Rev. Geoffrey E.L. Scanlon The Ven. Shawn W. Denney The Very Rev. Gene R. Tucker
<b>General Convention Deputy - 2012 (4 lay):</b>	Kevin J. Babb Frederick P. Velde Gerry Smith Elisabeth Langford
<b>General Convention Alternate Deputy - 2012 (4 clerical):</b>	The Rev. M. C. Mollie Ward The Rev. David J. Boase The Rev. David J. Halt The Rev. Richard A. Swan
<b>General Convention Alternate Deputy - 2012 (4 lay):</b>	Mark Opp Joe Patterson Charles T. Evans Angela D. Rowe

## ***APPENDIX IV***

### **REPORT – TREASURER**

The Diocese ended 2009 with a budget deficit of \$81,792.29 which was within the budget deficit of \$84,643 adopted by Synod and Council. Revenues were \$81,858 short of budgeted revenues, \$47,654 of which was caused by lagging investment earnings as a result of continued market challenges. On a positive note, actual expenses were \$84,709 less than budgeted expenses.

The 2009 Diocesan financial statements have been audited by an independent CPA firm, which found the statements fairly stated in all material respects.

This report continues with the 2009 budget and actual expenses. *Note: The audit is available for your review from the Secretary.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Mr. James R. Donkin, Treasurer

**RESERVE ACCOUNTS–DECEMBER 31, 2009**

**UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE**

Retained Earnings	304,205
<b>TOTAL UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>304,205</b>

**DESIGNATED FUND BALANCE**

General Reserve	3,935
General Convention Travel	(319)
Triennial Travel	(1,249)
Lambeth Conference	(4,490)
Mission Development	55,783
Campus Development Fund	303
Seminarian Aid	14,465
Camps and Conferences	33,574
Camp Scholarship	22,999
General Convention - Eye	1,912
Happening	303
Youth Travel - Barbados	919
New Beginnings	6,312
St. James, McLeansboro	381
Gillette/Clergy Fund	4,170
Bishop's Medical Expense	67
Foulke Memorial Fund	2,860
West Frankfort Vicarage	788
Continuing Education Fund	6,933
St. Anne's - Caseyville	10,780
Monroe County Mission	724
Mattoon Vicarage	1,802
Putnam Trust Funds	35,309
St. Alban's - Olney	85
Grace – Greenville	54
National Gathering	830
Bishop's Auto Reserve	14,271
St. Mary's - Robinson	93
Mission & Ministry Grant	6,280
St. Michael's, O'Fallon/St. Anne's	17,100
Office Equipment	500
Godfrey/Olin	2,760
St. Stephen's – Harrisburg	335
<b>TOTAL DESIGNATED FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>240,569</b>

**OPERATING FUND – DECEMBER 31, 2009****REVENUES**

		2009	2009
		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<b>INCOME</b>			
4010	Pledges	449,534.97	606,000.00
4011	Pledges - Prior Years	150,926.28	0.00
4045	Interest Income	13,660.29	36,000.00
4050	Miscellaneous	17,791.58	15,000.00
4060	Endowment of the Episcopate	27,685.90	53,000.00
4072	Hale Deanery	28,288.60	27,306.00
4073	Darrow Deanery	24,197.00	39,266.00
4074	Rental Income	0.00	5,400.00
4075	Springfield Current – Gifts	3,730.00	8,000.00
4076	Other Income	<u>62,649.43</u>	<u>70,350.00</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>778,464.05</b>	<b>860,322.00</b>

**EXPENDITURES****SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE**

## Bishop

5112	Stipend	46,409.04	46,409.00
5114	Pension	21,871.48	21,724.00
5116	Travel	4,328.70	7,000.00
5117	Car Purchase Reserve	7,900.00	7,900.00
5120	Utilities	7,224.00	7,224.00
5126	Housing Allowance	78,649.92	78,650.00
5130	Health & Disability Insurance	<u>148.80</u>	<u>150.00</u>
	Total – Bishop	166,531.94	169,057.00

## Diocesan Administrator

5202	Salary	44,267.04	44,267.00
5204	Pension Plan	3,984.00	3,984.00
5206	Social Security Expense	3,647.62	3,387.00
5208	Health Insurance	<u>6,838.26</u>	<u>8,158.00</u>
	Total - Diocesan Administrator	58,736.92	59,796.00

## Archdeacon

5252	Stipend	32,547.96	32,548.00
5254	Housing Allowance	7,811.04	7,811.00
5256	Pension	7,264.68	7,616.00
5260	Travel & Conference	<u>2,603.00</u>	<u>2,603.00</u>
	Total – Archdeacon	50,226.68	50,578.00

**OPERATING FUND – DECEMBER 31, 2009**

		2009 <u>Actual</u>	2009 <u>Budget</u>
Financial Officer			
5271	Salary	24,735.96	24,736.00
5272	Social Security	<u>1,892.30</u>	<u>1,893.00</u>
	Total - Financial Officer	26,628.26	26,629.00
<b>Total - Support of Episcopate</b>		302,123.80	306,060.00
<b>NON-DIOCESAN EXPENSE</b>			
5302	Outreach Fund	27,798.57	25,000.00
5310	General Convention Travel	6,000.00	6,000.00
5312	Triennial Convention-ECW	1,000.00	1,000.00
5314	Lambeth Conference	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
<b>Total - Non-Diocesan</b>		35,798.57	33,000.00
<b>DIOCESAN EXPENSE</b>			
5362	Additional Office Staff	7,252.50	7,600.00
5363	Social Security	536.43	581.00
5366	Treasurer's Expenses	170.11	200.00
5368	Accounting	5,280.06	6,000.00
5369	Annual Audit	5,070.00	4,830.00
5370	Office Expense	6,074.24	7,250.00
5378	Utilities	8,578.79	9,500.00
5380	Telephone	3,673.81	3,750.00
5382	Maintenance - Yard Work	8,703.27	5,750.00
5383	Conferences	2,739.28	5,000.00
5384	Diocesan Synod Expense - Host	500.00	500.00
	Sub-total	48,578.49	50,961.00
Insurance			
5452	Clergy Group	234,631.02	261,696.00
5454	Property/Liability	6,293.00	8,500.00
5460	Worker's Compensation	<u>2,043.00</u>	<u>1,900.00</u>
	Sub-total	242,967.02	272,096.00
<b>Total - Diocesan</b>		291,545.51	323,057.00

**OPERATING FUND – DECEMBER 31, 2009**

		2009	2009
		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<b>AID TO DIOCESAN MISSION CONGREGATIONS</b> <i>(see schedule A)</i>			
5501	Grant	0	2,500.00
5502	Stipend	155,543.99	169,192.00
5504	Car	13,728.00	14,464.00
5506	Mileage/Supply	<u>7,487.50</u>	<u>9,672.00</u>
<b>Total - Missions</b>		176,759.49	195,828.00
 <b>PROGRAM DEPARTMENTS</b>			
<b>DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION &amp; FINANCE</b>			
5563	Clergy & Family Wellness	3,268.60	3,500.00
5564	Stewardship	0.00	200.00
5566	Dept. of Gen. Mission Strategy	394.40	925.00
5570	Communication <i>(Current)</i>	13,384.62	13,000.00
5572	Editor's Compensation	10,995.00	10,995.00
5574	Web Site	<u>1,828.20</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>
<b>Total - Division of Administration &amp; Finance</b>		29,870.82	33,620.00
 <b>DIVISION OF MISSION &amp; WORSHIP</b>			
5602	Christian Education	0.00	500.00
5604	Evangelism & Renewal	0	3,500.00
5606	Fellowship of Prayer	<u>656.94</u>	<u>2,400.00</u>
	Sub-total	656.94	6,400.00
 Christian Social Concerns			
5652	General	0.00	150.00
 Young Adult & Higher Education Ministries			
5706	College Programs	675.00	4,500.00
5710	Diocesan Programs	0.00	2,000.00
5722	National Gathering	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>
	Sub-total	675.00	8,000.00

**OPERATING FUND – DECEMBER 31, 2009**

	2009 <u>Actual</u>	2009 <u>Budget</u>
Department of Youth		
5802 General	734.63	5,500.00
5804 Activity-East St. Louis	(100.00)	2,000.00
5805 Episcopal Youth Event	1,398.10	2,000.00
5806 Summer Camp Support	12,000.00	12,000.00
5808 Camp Scholarships	<u>975.00</u>	<u>2,500.00</u>
Sub-total	15,007.73	24,000.00
5850 National & World Mission	750.00	750.00
5852 Commission on Ministry	1,762.05	4,000.00
5854 Support of Seminarians	<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>
Sub-total	5,012.05	9,750.00
<b>Total - Division of Mission &amp; Worship</b>	21,351.72	48,300.00
<b>Total - Program Departments</b>	51,222.54	81,920.00
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>		
5906 Secretary of the Diocese	0.00	200.00
5908 Historiographer	0	100.00
5912 ECW	0.00	300.00
5914 Contingencies	153.42	3,500.00
5916 Rental Property Expense	<u>2,653.01</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
<b>Total - Miscellaneous</b>	2,806.43	5,100.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>860,256.34</b>	<b>944,965.00</b>
Excess Revenues over Expenditures or <Deficiency>	(81,792.29)	(84,643.00)

**2009 AID TO DIOCESAN MISSION CONGREGATIONS** *(Schedule A)*

	<u>2009 Budget</u>
<b>GRANTS TO MISSIONS</b>	
Albion	0
# Cairo	0
Centralia	0
Chesterfield	0
Effingham	0
* Glen Carbon	0
* Granite City	0
Greenville	0
# Harrisburg	0
Mattoon	0
# Marion	0
# McLeansboro	0
O'Fallon	0
Olney	0
Paris	0
Rantoul	0
Robinson	0
Salem	0
Springfield, St. Luke's	0
# West Frankfort	0
+ Outreach & Programs Fund	<u>2,500.00</u>
 Sub-total - 5501 (Grant)	 2,500.00

# Member, Hale Deanery Team Ministry

\* Member, Darrow Deanery Team Ministry

+ New fund to provide missions the opportunity to begin new outreach or evangelistic programs they could not otherwise sponsor. To receive grants, mission congregations would need to apply to DGMS for support of their initiative.

# APPENDIX V

## REPORT – DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

### PROPOSED 2011 BUDGET – OPERATING FUND

#### REVENUES

		<b>2010 <u>Budget</u></b>	<b>2011 Council Recommended <u>8/27/10</u></b>
<b>INCOME</b>			
4010	Pledges	608,000	626,240
4045	Interest Income	12,000	15,400
4050	Miscellaneous	8,000	8,000
4060	Endowment of the Episcopate	67,500	72,000
4072	Hale Deanery	28,255	29,103
4073	Darrow Deanery Cluster	40,444	41,658
4075	Springfield Current - Gifts	8,000	8,000
4076	Other Income	<u>63,000</u>	<u>49,000</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		835,199	849,401

#### EXPENDITURES

##### **SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE**

Bishop			
5112	Stipend	46,409	106,510
5114	Pension	21,724	19,172
5116	Travel	7,000	7,000
5117	Car Purchase Reserve	7,900	7,900
5120	Utilities	7,224	0
5126	Housing Allowance	78,650	0
5130	Health & Disability Insurance	<u>150</u>	<u>29,685</u>
	Total - Bishop	169,057	170,267
Diocesan Administrator			
5202	Salary	44,267	44,931
5204	Pension Plan	3,984	4,044
5206	Social Security Expense	3,387	3,437
5208	Health Insurance	<u>8,158</u>	<u>2,100</u>
	Total - Diocesan Administrator	59,796	54,512

**BUDGET – OPERATING FUND**

		<b>2010</b>	<b>2011 Council</b>
		<b><u>Budget</u></b>	<b><u>Recommended</u></b>
			<b><u>8/27/10</u></b>
Archdeacon			
5252	Stipend	32,548	33,036
5254	Housing Allowance	7,811	7,928
5256	Pension	7,616	7,374
5260	Travel & Conference	<u>2,603</u>	<u>2,642</u>
	Total - Archdeacon	50,578	50,980
Financial Officer			
5271	Salary	24,736	25,107
5272	Social Security	<u>1,893</u>	<u>1,921</u>
	Total - Financial Officer	26,629	27,028
<b>Total - Support of Episcopate</b>		306,060	302,787
<b>NON-DIOCESAN EXPENSE</b>			
5302	Outreach Fund	25,000	25,000
5310	General Convention Travel	6,000	7,000
5314	Lambeth Conference	<u>1,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>
<b>Total - Non-Diocesan</b>		32,000	34,000
<b>DIOCESAN EXPENSE</b>			
5362	Additional Office Staff	7,250	7,250
5363	Social Security	555	555
5366	Treasurer's Expenses	200	200
5368	Accounting	5,600	5,600
5369	Annual Audit	5,100	5,500
5370	Office Expense	7,250	7,250
5378	Utilities	8,500	9,000
5380	Telephone	3,750	3,750
5382	Maintenance - Yard Work	7,000	7,000
5383	Conferences	4,000	4,000
5384	Diocesan Synod Expense - Host	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>
	Sub-total	49,705	50,605

**BUDGET – OPERATING FUND**

		<b>2010</b>	<b>2011 Council</b>
		<b><u>Budget</u></b>	<b><u>Recommended</u></b>
			<b>8/27/10</b>
Insurance			
5452	Clergy Group	237,000	257,000
5454	Property/Liability	8,500	8,500
5460	Worker's Compensation	<u>1,900</u>	<u>1,900</u>
	Sub-total	247,400	267,400
<b>Total - Diocesan</b>		297,105	318,005
 <b>AID TO DIOCESAN MISSION CONGREGATIONS</b>			
5502	Stipend	156,505	159,233
5504	Car	<u>13,728</u>	<u>13,728</u>
<b>Total - Missions</b>		170,233	172,961
 <b>PROGRAM DEPARTMENTS</b>			
<b>DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION &amp; FINANCE</b>			
5563	Clergy & Family Wellness	3,500	3,500
5564	Stewardship	100	200
5566	General Mission Strategy	500	950
5570	Communication ( <i>Current</i> )	13,000	13,000
5572	Editor's Compensation	11,000	11,000
5574	Web Site	<u>750</u>	<u>750</u>
Total - Division of Administration & Finance		28,850	29,400
 <b>DIVISION OF MISSION &amp; WORSHIP</b>			
5602	Christian Education	200	200
5604	Evangelism & Renewal	2,000	2,000
5606	Fellowship of Prayer	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>
	Sub-total	4,200	4,200
 Young Adult & Higher Education Ministries			
5706	College Programs	2,000	2,000
5710	Diocesan Programs	1,000	1,000
5722	National Gathering	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>
	Sub-total	3,500	3,500

**BUDGET – OPERATING FUND**

		<b>2010 <u>Budget</u></b>	<b>2011 Council Recommended <u>8/27/10</u></b>
Department of Youth			
5802	General	2,500	5,500
5804	Activity-East St. Louis	2,000	2,000
5805	Episcopal Youth Event	1,750	3,000
5806	Summer Camp Support	12,000	12,000
5808	Camp Scholarships	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>
	Sub-total	19,750	24,000
5852	Commission on Ministry	2,500	2,500
5854	Support of Seminarians	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
	Sub-total	7,500	7,500
Total - Division of Mission & Worship		34,950	39,200
<b>Total - Program Departments</b>		<b>63,800</b>	<b>68,600</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>			
5904	Standing Committee	47,500	22,500
5906	Secretary of the Diocese	200	200
5908	Historiographer	100	100
5912	Episcopal Church Women	200	500
5914	Contingencies	3,000	3,000
5916	Rental Property Expense	<u>2,500</u>	<u>0</u>
Total - Miscellaneous		53,500	26,300
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>922,698</b>	<b>922,653</b>
<b>Excess Revenues over Expenditures or &lt;Deficiency&gt;</b>		<b>(87,499)</b>	<b>(73,252)</b>

**PLEDGE RECORD OF CHURCHES TO THE DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Church</b>	<b>2007 Actual Pledge</b>	<b>2008 Actual Pledge</b>	<b>2009 Pledge</b>
Alton	Episcopal Parish in Alton	\$30,486	\$31,949	\$31,273
Belleville	St. George's	\$35,669	\$36,822	\$39,100
Bloomington	St. Matthew's	\$38,210	\$36,232	\$34,997
Cairo	Church of the Redeemer	\$2,600	\$2,253	\$2,253
Carbondale	St. Andrew's	\$16,762	\$17,450	\$15,448
Carlinville	St. Paul's	\$17,200	\$7,900	\$9,000
Centralia	St. John's	\$2,958	\$3,303	\$3,936
Champaign	Emmanuel Memorial	\$70,066	\$72,975	\$73,832
Champaign	Chapel of St. John the Divine	\$42,309	\$23,080	\$40,975
Chesterfield	St. Peter's	\$723	\$822	\$806
Danville	The Church of the Holy Trinity	\$11,214	\$12,453	\$10,377
Decatur	St. John's	\$43,080	\$39,873	\$43,389
Edwardsville	St. Andrew's	\$25,000	\$29,180	\$30,858
Effingham	St. Laurence's	\$500	\$575	\$825
Glen Carbon	St. Thomas'	\$0	\$0	\$0
Granite City	St. Bartholomew's	\$4,620	\$4,851	\$5,000
Harrisburg	St. Stephen's	\$5,280	\$5,580	\$5,900
Havana	St. Barnabas'	\$7,975	\$7,700	\$1,050
Jacksonville	Trinity	\$44,641	\$43,451	\$45,000
Lincoln	Trinity	\$24,008	\$23,897	\$21,553
Marion	St. James'	\$2,640	\$3,105	\$3,434
Mattoon	Trinity	\$6,985	\$6,163	\$6,371
McLeansboro	St. James'	\$1,980	\$1,980	\$2,106
Morton	All Saints'	\$10,156	\$6,007	\$8,932
Mt. Carmel	St. John the Baptist	\$19,853	\$16,481	\$19,920
Mt. Vernon	Trinity	\$12,678	\$22,398	\$16,183
Normal	Christ the King	\$27,911	\$32,025	\$32,637
O'Fallon	St. Michael's	\$10,700	\$10,700	\$6,000
Paris	St. Andrew's	\$0	\$0	\$400
Pekin	St. Paul's	\$19,511	\$20,455	\$15,000
Rantoul	St. Christopher's	\$2,200	\$2,200	\$1,000
Robinson	St. Mary's	\$720	\$0	\$0
Salem	St. Thomas'	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$2,520
Springfield	Cathedral Church of St. Paul	\$39,469	\$2,871	\$43,395
Springfield	Christ Church	\$33,500	\$54,663	\$60,743
Springfield	St. Luke's	\$9,327	\$7,650	\$8,362
West Frankfort	St. Mark's	<u>\$2,317</u>	<u>\$2,663</u>	<u>\$3,110</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$626,248</b>	<b>592,707</b>	<b>\$645,685</b>

## ***APPENDIX VI***

### **REPORTS – CONTINUING COMMITTEES**

**CREDENTIALS** – The Very Rev. Brian T. Kellington, Chair

**DISPATCH OF BUSINESS** – The Rev. Alan A. Herbst, Chair

**INCORPORATION/ADMISSION OF PARISHES** – Mr. Frederick P. Velde, Chair

**PRIVILEGE** – Dr. Stephen Pearson, Chair

**LEGISLATION** – The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford, Chair

**RESOLUTIONS** – The Very Rev. Canon Richard A. Swan

**COURTESY RESOLUTIONS** [All passed.]

#### **10-C.1 GRANTING SEAT AND VOICE TO GUESTS OF THE SYNOD**

WHEREAS, The Rev. Daniel H. Martins was elected Eleventh Bishop of the Diocese of Springfield on September 18, 2010 and is attending this One Hundred Thirty-third Synod with his wife, Brenda, as a guest of the Standing Committee and Diocese; and

WHEREAS, The Rev. Kenneth E. Truelove and the Rev. James D. Fackler who are currently licensed to officiate in the Diocese of Springfield, are attending this Synod; and

WHEREAS, By virtue of their ministries of service in Christ’s Church, these persons honor us with their presence and enrich us by their witness; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Thirty-third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield extend to Bishop Elect Martins and to Frs. Truelove and Fackler, a warm welcome and seat and voice in the deliberations of this Synod.

#### **10-C.2 WELCOME TO NEW CLERGY**

WHEREAS, The Very Rev. Gus L. Franklin was received from the Diocese of Quincy on January 25, 2010; The Rev. Margaret Joan Garcia Coleman was received from the Diocese of the Rio Grande on January 29, 2010; The Rev. David J. Halt was received on December 16, 2009 from the Diocese of Southern Ohio and The Rev. Philip D. Boeve was received on December 21, 2009 from the Diocese of Milwaukee; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Thirty-third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield extend a warm welcome and assurance of prayers and support to these shepherds and servants as they begin their ministry among us.

#### 10-C.3 COMPANION RELATIONSHIP - Barbados

WHEREAS, We are blessed in our mission and ministry by our companion relationship with the Diocese of Barbados and its people; and

WHEREAS, We rejoice in the opportunities this relationship affords in strengthening our knowledge of the breadth of the Anglican Communion and the richness of its witness to Jesus Christ; and

WHEREAS, We are enriched as a Diocese by the friendships between parishes and people that have resulted from this companion relationship; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Thirty-third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield send the warm greetings of the clergy and people of this Diocese to the clergy and people of the Diocese of Barbados, expressing to them our thanks for all that has occurred since the institution of this relationship and our desire for continued growth in our work and ministry together.

#### 10-C.4 COMPANION RELATIONSHIP - Recife

WHEREAS, We are blessed in our mission and ministry by our companion relationship with the Diocese of Recife, Brazil and its people; and

WHEREAS, We rejoice in the opportunities this relationship affords in strengthening our knowledge of the breadth of the Anglican Communion and the richness of its witness to Jesus Christ; and

WHEREAS, We are enriched as a Diocese by the friendships between parishes and people that have resulted from this companion relationship; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Thirty-third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield send the warm greetings of the clergy and people of this Diocese to the clergy and people of the Diocese of Recife, expressing to them our thanks for all that has occurred since the institution of this relationship and our desire for continued growth in our work and ministry together.

#### 10-C.5 GREETINGS TO RETIRED BISHOPS

WHEREAS, the Rt. Rev. Donald M. Hultstrand, IX Bishop of Springfield, and the Rt. Rev. Peter H. Beckwith, X Bishop of Springfield, each served this Diocese faithfully during his episcopate; and

WHEREAS, These retired chief pastors continue to labor for the cause of Christ and His Church in areas outside the boundaries of this Diocese; and

WHEREAS, These loving shepherds are remembered with affection in the hearts of the people who benefited from their gifts in ministry and their faithfulness in responding to God's call; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Thirty-third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield extend warm greetings, best wishes and assurance of continuing prayers to the Rt. Rev. Donald M. Hultstrand and the Rt. Rev. Peter H. Beckwith, retired bishops of this Diocese.

#### 10-C.6 CLERGY WHO HAVE LEFT THE DIOCESE

WHEREAS, The Rev. Joel A. Prather has served as a priest of this Diocese and is now serving in The Diocese of Dallas; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Thirty-third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield wish this shepherd and servant Godspeed in his new endeavors and extend to him the assurance of our prayers for him, his family and his continuing work in Christ's ministry.

#### 10-C.7 THANK YOU FOR SERVICE TO THE DIOCESE

WHEREAS, The Rev. Dr. Anthony B. Holder has served this Diocese well and faithfully as President of the Standing Committee, and Vice President of the Diocesan Council; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gerry Smith has served with constancy and dedication as a member of the Standing Committee, and as a member of the Commission on Ministry; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Martin Rowe has served faithfully as a Trustee of this Diocese; and

WHEREAS, The Very Rev. Robert E. Brodie and Mrs. Mary Ann Swan have served faithfully as members of Diocesan Council; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kevin Babb has served with dedication as Provincial Synod Delegate; and

WHEREAS, The Rev. Eugene A. Stormer, has served this diocese as Chair of the Commission on Ministry, and Chair of Examining Chaplains; and

WHEREAS, The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford, has served this diocese as Director of the Division of Mission and Worship and as a member of the Ecclesiastical Trial Court; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kelly Gray has served with diligence as Chair of the Department of Finance; and

WHEREAS, The Rev. Donald E. Coventry and Mr. Tate Chambers have served faithfully as members of the Ecclesiastical Trial Court; and

WHEREAS, The Rev. Maurice Lee and Mr. Fred Jarosz have served faithfully as a member of the Commission on Ministry; and

WHEREAS, The Very Rev. Brian T. Kellington, has served this diocese as Chair of the Department of Stewardship; and

WHEREAS, The Rev. Timothy A. Goodman, has served this diocese as Chair of the Department of General Mission Strategy; and

WHEREAS, The Rev. Dr. Desmond C. Francis, has served this diocese as Chair of the Department of Evangelism and Spiritual Enrichment; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Joe Hooten, has served this diocese as Chair of the Department of Youth Work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Richard Noel, Northeastern Deanery, has served faithfully as Deanery Representatives to Diocesan Council; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sierra Gore has served with enthusiasm as Youth Representative to Diocesan Council; and

WHEREAS, The Very Rev. Dr. Anthony B. Holder has served as Dean of the Darrow Deanery, and the Very Rev. John C. Bettmann has served as Dean of the Northwestern Deanery; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Thirty-third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield rise in honor of these faithful servants and express thanks for their ministry among us.

#### 10-C.8 THANK YOU TO DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR

WHEREAS, Ms. Sue Spring served this Diocese faithfully as Diocesan Administrator during the period April 16, 2003 to September 30, 2010; and

WHEREAS, her tireless efforts, diligence and energy is remembered with affection in the hearts of the people who benefited from her dedication and gifts in organizing and administering the ongoing work of this diocese; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Thirty-third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield extend a heartfelt thank you, best wishes and assurance of continuing prayers to Ms. Sue Spring, former Administrator of this Diocese.

#### 10-C.9 THANK YOU TO HOST CONGREGATIONS

WHEREAS, Christian hospitality has been so warmly and graciously extended to the members of this One Hundred Thirty-third Synod by the congregations of the Chapel of St. John the Divine, and Emmanuel Memorial Episcopal Church, Champaign; and

WHEREAS, Their preparations to receive us have facilitated our work, enhanced our times of worship and fellowship and nourished our sense of community as a Synod and as a Diocese; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Thirty-third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield express its sincere thanks to the congregations of the Chapel of St. John the Divine, and Emmanuel Memorial Episcopal Church, Champaign, and especially to the Very Rev. Timothy J. Hallett and the Rev. Alan A. Herbst, ossje and all those whose work contributed to the success of this gathering.

## POLICY RESOLUTION [Passed.]

### 10-P.1 STEWARDSHIP

WHEREAS, God calls us in Scripture to recognize that all we are and all we have has come from a gracious giver of all things; and

WHEREAS, we are not our own but “were bought with a price” (1 Corinthians 6:20); and

WHEREAS, a steward is a manager of property that belongs to another; and

WHEREAS, Holy Scripture and numerous resolutions passed by General Convention commend the principle of returning a tenth of one’s income (tithing) to God through His church as a part of being responsible stewards of God’s property entrusted to us; and

WHEREAS, God promises to “throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it” for those who “test [Him] in this.” (Malachi 3:10); and

WHEREAS, the 131<sup>st</sup> Synod and the 132<sup>nd</sup> Synod of the Diocese of Springfield passed similar resolutions commending the Biblical tithe as an important and vital element of being faithful Christians.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the 133<sup>rd</sup> Synod of the Diocese of Springfield hereby commends the Biblical standard of the tithe to all members of the diocese as a vital element of being faithful Christians; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 133<sup>rd</sup> Synod encourages all members of the diocese who have not yet adopted the tithe as part of their personal financial commitment to God to move toward the tithe with all deliberate speed by giving to God a larger percentage of their income in each of the next two years with the firm purpose of achieving the tithe by A.D. 2012; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 133<sup>rd</sup> Synod expectantly trusts God to pour out his blessings upon His faithful people in the Diocese of Springfield as they put God to the test in the matter of the tithe; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 133<sup>rd</sup> Synod challenges all clergy, vestries, and bishop’s committees to adopt a similar resolution in each congregation.

Respectfully submitted,

The Department of Stewardship

Endorsed by Diocesan Council, August 27, 2010

## **APPENDIX VII**

### **REPORTS**

#### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

As of June 30, 2009 the Diocesan Endowment Fund balance was \$1,914,805 and the Combined Fund balance was \$2,034,643.

<u>Fidelity/Bush O'Donnell Investment Advisors</u>	<u>12/31/09</u>	<u>6/30/10</u>
Diocese-Endowment	\$2,040,507	\$1,913,664
Combined	\$2,111,382	\$1,813,279
 <u>Bank of America</u>		
Ann Putnam Trust	\$2,490,433	\$2,470,839
Fanny Putnam Trust	\$3,057,483	\$3,213,149
Karl Putnam Trust	\$384,642	\$391,835

The trustees are responsible for oversight of the Endowment Fund of the Episcopate and Trustees' Combined Account. On December 14, 2009, the Trustees selected Bush O'Donnell Investment Advisors, St. Louis, Missouri as the manager of investments for the Diocese. Bush O'Donnell was selected after proposals were received from five firms including Merrill Lynch, Northern Trust, Edward Jones, and the Illinois National Bank of Springfield. Bush O'Donnell serves foundations, endowments, corporations, and individuals and has a conservative approach to investing similar to our previous managers.

Funds invested with Bank of America are the Putnam Trust Funds. The bank and the Bishop of Springfield are co-trustees of the Putnam funds. The Diocesan Trustees act in an advisory role at the request of the Bishop of Springfield.

The other Trustees are:

Mr. Martin Rowe, Mr. Randy Winn, Mr. Bill Ledbetter, and Mr. Richard Slocomb

Respectfully submitted,  
Mr. Bruce Bonds, Chair

### **DEANERY REPORTS**

#### **DARROW DEANERY**

##### **ALTON, St. Paul's and Trinity Chapel (The Episcopal Parish of Alton):**

- Members of the Altar Guild joined together with Fr. David for an evening of worship, fellowship and a time to review customs and practices of the Church which shape the work of the Altar Guild. The evening concluded with the Mass of rededication.
- St. Paul's along with 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church in Alton, Alton Memorial Hospital and the Lewis and Clark Managed Center sponsored the Lewis and Clark Mobile Health Unit which provided school and sports physicals and other health screenings to the community.

- A Welcome Back potluck hosted by the ECW was held at St. Paul's after worship for the Choir and Children and Adult Sunday School after summer break.
- The joint Lutheran/Episcopal Tuesday morning Eucharist and Bible Study began its new year in September at St. Paul's. Classes are co-led by Fr. Boase, Pastor Ken Tegtmeier of Resurrection Lutheran and Mother Jane Flaherty.
- The Book Discussion group met and discussed "*Saint Maybe*," led by The Rev. Jane Flaherty; "*A Thousand Splendid Suns*" by Khaled Hosseini, discussion was led by Marje Du Vivier; "*A Christmas Box*" by Richard Paul Evans, Barbara Ulfers led the discussion; "*The Prince of Tides*" led by Barbara Ulfers; "*The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie*" Society by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows, discussion led by Jane Hill; "*The Madonnas of Leningrad*" by Debra Dean, discussion led by Marje Du Vivier; "*Sarah's Key*" by Tatiana de Rosnay, discussion led by Jane Hill; "*Catcher in the Rye*" by S. D. Salinger, discussion led by Diana Enloe; "*My Sister's Keeper*" by Jodi Picault, discussion led by Barbara Ulfers; "*The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*" by Mark Twain, discussion led by Jane Hill.
- A service for the Episcopal Church Women of the parish was held at St. Paul's. The evening began with a half-hour low mass followed by a time of fellowship and refreshments in Heneghan Hall.
- Volunteers gathered to pick up litter along a designated stretch of U. S. 67. After work the group met at a restaurant for a well-deserved breakfast.
- The Education Commission sponsored a presentation on Islam: A Way of Life, Understanding the Faith, Its Practices, Beliefs and Followers. Aftab Ahmad with Imam Muhamed Hasic gave the presentation. The program was open to the public and was very well attended.
- The parish participated in the River Bend Head Start and Family Services organizations program ***Coats for Kids***. New or slightly used coats were collected and given to the organization for children in need.
- Fr. David celebrated the Annual Blessing of the Animals in the garden at St. Paul's. The public was invited to bring their animals for this very special liturgy. Items were also collected and donated to the Alton Area Animal Aid Association.
- Mike Alexander and Sean Stone (members of St. Paul's) provided entertainment for a lovely fall evening of Jazz in the Garden at St. Paul's. Wine and light snacks were shared and enjoyed by all.
- Harvest Festival Services were held at Trinity Chapel and St. Paul's on October 18. During the services we emphasized our thankfulness to God for the earth's bounty. The Churches were decorated with produce and canned or boxed food products donated by parishioners. After the celebration of sharing the collection was given to Crisis Food Center.
- The Guild of Grace sponsored the annual Halloween Parade Night Chili Supper in Heneghan Hall at St. Paul's. Delicious Chili, cheese, crackers, beverage and pie was served. The supper was open to the public; held their annual Christmas Party in Heneghan Hall.
- All Saints Day was celebrated during regular Sunday services at St. Paul's and Trinity Chapel on November 1. The All Souls' Day Mass to commemorate the faithful departed was celebrated at 7:30 p.m. on November 2 at St. Paul's.
- The Property and Maintenance Commission sponsored a parish work day on November 7 to prepare for the Christmas season.
- The Evangelism and Outreach Commission sponsored the annual Renewal of Marriage Vows on November 8. Couples celebrating anniversaries in multiples of five were invited to confirm their commitment to one another. Couples were encouraged to bring wedding photos to display during the special coffee hour. They also sponsored a drive to help with the needs of the

residents of Oasis Women's Center. Gift Cards were purchased from area department stores and given to the residents to help brighten the Christmas season for women in need.

- The Altar Guild met on November 20 to clean the brass at St. Paul's in preparation for the Christmas season.

- Bishop Beckwith will make his annual homecoming to St. Paul's on November 22. A special Harvest Feast coffee hour will be hosted by the Sunday School children in his honor.

- On November 28 a Recommitment of Acolytes will take place at both Trinity Chapel and St. Paul's. This annual event, held on the First Sunday in Advent, is an opportunity for all acolytes to rededicate themselves to serving at the altar and ask God's blessing on their duties in the sanctuary.

- On December 2, the Episcopal Church Men and their guests gathered at Gentelin's Restaurant for their annual Christmas party.

- The Children's Christmas Pageant was performed after worship at St. Paul's on December 13.

- The children had a Christmas Party and Dress Rehearsal for the pageant the day before and decorated the parish Christmas tree.

- The annual Caravan of Carolers to homebound parishioners was held on December 13. After caroling to the homebound and those in nursing homes the group met for a Dutch treat dinner at a local restaurant.

- The Service of Nine Lessons and Carols was held on Sunday, December 20 at St. Paul's.

- Christmas Worship included an early mass at 4:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve and the Festival Eucharist at 11:00 p.m. at St. Paul's and 10:00 a.m. on Christmas Day at Trinity Chapel.

- Epiphany was observed during Sunday services at Trinity Chapel and St. Paul's on January 3.

- The annual meeting of the Parish was held after worship at St. Paul's on January 17. A brunch hosted by the Guild of Grace preceded the meeting. New Vestry members were elected, as well as delegates to the Synod and Darrow Deanery. Prayer Partners for 2009 were revealed and new ones drawn for 2010.

- The Patronal Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul was celebrated during regular Sunday services on January 24 at St. Paul's and Trinity Chapel.

- The Parish participated in the Souper Bowl of Caring on February 7. The proceeds collected were donated to the Crisis Food Center.

- The Episcopal Church Men met on February 6 to plan for the annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake and Sausage Dinner which was held on February 24.

- Ash Wednesday services were held at noon with Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes at Trinity Chapel and 7:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes at St. Paul's.

- The Parish Lenten programs continued. The theme of the program each Wednesday evening led by Fr. Boase expanded on last year's program *Experiencing the Sacred*; Sacred Writings, Sacred Places, Sacred Pictures, Sacred Music & Dance and Sacred Journey. Each evening began with Holy Eucharist, with the exception of March 24 (Stations of the Cross) followed by a Lenten meal of soup, cheese and bread and the Lenten study concluded each evening. A voluntary contribution for the meal was collected with the profits donated to the Crisis Food Center.

- On March 18 the Vestry sponsored a Fundraiser Preview Party at the Alton Little Theater preview performance of *Over the Tavern*, by Tom Dudzick, in which St. Paul's parishioner Diana Enloe played the role as Sister Clarissa a no-nonsense teacher at the Catholic School. A title of the proceeds was given to Haiti Relief Fund.

- The Episcopal Church Men hosted a Lenten Fish Fry fund raiser on March 26 at St. Paul's.

- On Friday, March 26, the Altar Guild continued their annual tradition of making Palm Crosses for Palm Sunday in addition to cleaning the Brass for the Easter services.
- The Episcopal Church Women purchased umbrellas with the Church Logo imprinted on them and donated ten to St. Paul's and five to Trinity Chapel. The remainder was sold to parishioners and throughout the community as a fund raiser.
- Holy Week included Masses Mon-Wed at 7:30 p.m. at Trinity Chapel. Services were held at St. Paul's on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. Easter services were held at both Trinity Chapel and St. Paul's.
- Volunteers began this season of Adopt a highway trash pick-up on April 17.
- On April 18<sup>th</sup> an Open House was held at Trinity Chapel to celebrate the 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Chapel. The history of the church was told through stories and pictures. The event was well attended by parishioners and members of the community.
- On April 28 the Book Discussion group met to discuss *Hager* by Lois T. Henderson. The discussion was led by The Rev. Jane Flaherty.
- The ECW began a spring fundraiser raffle. Parishioners were asked to donate gift cards for the grand prize raffle to various retail stores, restaurants, hair salons, golf courses, etc. The second and third prizes donated by the ECW included a one-day river cruise for 6 and a wine basket.
- On May 1 members of ECM held a Geranium Sale Fund raiser.
- On May 6 the ECW held their annual Ladies Night Out. The evening began with a mass at St. Paul's followed by a social time, catered dinner and entertainment.
- On May 9 the Episcopal Church Men hosted a Mother's Day brunch after worship at St. Paul's. Mothers of the Year were selected at Trinity Chapel and St. Paul's.
- Tuesday morning Bible study ended the season on May 11 and will resume in September.
- Ascension Day Mass was celebrated on May 13 at St. Paul's at 7:30 p.m.
- A Parish Appreciation Brunch will be held at St. Paul's on May 23. The ECW will provide the meat and parishioners will bring a covered dish to share. The winners of the ECW raffle will be announced at the potluck.
- Adopt a Highway volunteers met on May 22 to pick up trash along the designated stretch of highway.
- On June 5 volunteers of the parish once again formed a team for the community wide Bucket Brigade program and put a bright new coat of paint on a home for individuals in the area who would not otherwise be able to do so.
- The annual Parish Picnic was held on June 13 at Glazebrook Park in Godfrey. The outdoor worship service was held at 10:30 a.m. After worship the Parish Life Commission provided fried chicken, lemonade and tea and members brought side dishes to share.
- Adopt-a-highway volunteers met on June 19 to pick up litter along a designated stretch of U.S. 67. After trash pick up the group met at a local restaurant for breakfast.
- On June 20 the Episcopal Church Women hosted a special coffee hour brunch in honor of Father's Day. Tom Fisher was chosen as Father of the Year at St. Paul's and Tom Dehler was chosen as Father of the Year at Trinity Chapel.
- The Feast of the Dedication of St. Paul's was celebrated at St. Paul's on Sunday, July 4 during the 10:30 a.m. worship service at St. Paul's.
- On July 11, parish members were invited to a special tour of the new Provision Living Center on Highway 3 in Godfrey. Parish Member, Mary Molloy, Director of Patient Services arranged for the tour.
- The Tuesday Bible Study group met at St. Paul's on July 27 for their annual summer reunion. Mass was held at 9:30 a.m. followed by a potluck brunch.

- The Evangelism and Outreach Commission sponsored a Back to School Supply drive to give school supplies to help needy children in the local area. Parish members were asked to purchase school supplies (e.g.) pencils, notebook paper, pocket folders, binders, pens, erasers, etc. to give children in need a fresh start at the beginning and throughout the school year.

*(Respectfully submitted by the Episcopal Parish Office of Alton)*

### **BELLEVILLE, St. George's:**

- St. George's Episcopal Church hosted Bishop Roger J. White at a special renewal weekend. He spoke about issues facing the Church and ways to renew our faith in Christ! The weekend began with Evensong Friday at 7:00 pm. On Saturday there were two sessions: Morning 9:00 – 11:30 am - Continental Breakfast – Bishop White's program followed by a Questions and Answer session. Evening 6:00 - 9:00 pm Pot Luck Dinner followed by another session led by Bishop White followed by a Questions and Answer session. On Sunday, Bishop White preached at both services 8:00 and 10:30 am and spoke at the Adult Forum at 9:10 am.

- The new Director of Toddhall Retreat and Conference Center in Columbia, IL Jim Moeller lead the Adult Forum at 9:10 am on Sunday, October 4 and spoke about the ministry of the retreat center.

- Fr. Dale taught about our heritage as Anglicans and Episcopalians using slides, and the book he edited (available in St. George's Gift Shop), Archbishop Michael Ramsey's *The Anglican Spirit* at the Adult Forum in October and November. The book was originally published in 1991, and re-published by the Episcopal Church's "Church Publishing" as a Seabury classic in 2004. It includes a Foreword by the present Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams. The revised schedule with expanded subjects:

- Our Anglican Heritage, Beginnings (book, Foreword, Preface, Chap. 9)
- English Reformation I (book, Chapters 1 and 2)
- The Development of Christianity in England to the Reformation
- The Reformed and Catholic Church of England and its expansion to America
- Victorian England – Oxford Movement and the impact of Darwin.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Century Anglicanism and C.S. Lewis in an age of unbelief.
- Since WWII adjusting to a growing unbelieving Culture
- The Episcopal Church today

- The parish participated in the annual Belleville Chili Cook-off the first weekend of October 2 and 3. Profits will be divided between Franklin Neighborhood Association and St. George's Episcopal Youth Community. The youth assisted in the booth on both days.

- St. George's had their Annual Blessing of Animals on Sunday, October 4.

- St. George's Sunday School has an updated computer lab that the classes are enjoying.

- American Red Cross Blood Drive was held on Sunday, November 1

- Stewardship Sunday was held on Sunday, November 8.

- St. George's is planning a Joint Thanksgiving Service with St. Mark Lutheran, Peace Lutheran and Calvary Lutheran on Wednesday, November 25 at Peace Lutheran Church

- St. George's Episcopal Youth Community took orders for thanksgiving pies again this year. They also took orders for St. George's famous White Chili.

- November 29, 2009 (First Sunday of Advent): Traditional Advent intergenerational event took place. Youth and Adults worked together to assemble "no-sew" fleece blankets for homebound parishioners.

- Advent Quiet Day “*The Promise of Advent*” was held on Saturday, December 12. Pastor Ron Neustadt led the event. The Spiritual Enrichment offers the Quiet Day as an opportunity for reflection and spiritual growth in the midst of the year’s busiest time.
- On December 13, a reception was held after the 10:30 a.m. service for Dr. Nancy Ypma. December 1 was the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Dr. Ypma serving as Music Director and Organist at St. George’s.
- Adult forum was held in December, January and February. The Rev. Dr. Warren Crews led the discussion on December 13 looking at the historical, cultural and theological roots of the current fascination with the inner journey of the individual as opposed to the classical Christian spirituality of the mainline churches. In January, Fr. Dale began his class on the *Acts of the Apostles* which will continue through March.
- December 20, St. George’s Sunday School children had their annual Christmas Pageant.
- St. George’s parishioners participated in the annual giving tree with over 65 children being provided with Christmas gifts. Lutheran Child & Family Services distributed the gifts.
- Joint Epiphany Service was held on Wednesday January 6 with Saint Mark Lutheran Church.
- SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7. Thanks to the generosity of the St George’s community, the EYC collected \$420.00 during the Souper Bowl for Caring.
- The EYC hosted the annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on February 16.
- Annual meeting was held on Sunday, January 31.
- Community Service is collecting household cleaning supplies for the Violence Prevention Shelter in Belleville.
- Applications are being taken for the Florence Martin’s Scholarship. A scholarship is given to St. George’s parishioners who are attending college.
- The WEDG (Women’s Ecumenical Dining Group) had their annual Advent Dinner at Fisher’s Restaurant in Belleville. On February 9, the WEDG had their annual Pre-Lenten dinner at Jefferson’s in Belleville.
- Plans are being made for the Thursday Evening Lenten Soup Suppers. The theme for this year is Holy Baptism. The soup supper will be held February 25, March 4, 11, 18 and 25.
- Happening was held at St. George’s the weekend of March 19-21.
- Lenten Opportunities: Feb. 25 – Mar. 25. Lenten Soup Suppers were held at 6:00 p.m. followed by a presentation. Holy Baptism was the theme for presentations at this year’s Lenten Program. Five guest speakers gave presentations.
- At the Adult Forum, Fr. Dale continues his class on *the Acts of the Apostles*.
- Intergenerational Event was held on Palm Sunday. Special Easter Baskets were made for families in need in the area.
- Holy Week Activities included Seder Meal on Tuesday, March 30. Maundy Thursday Service and two services on Good Friday, the Walking Way of the Cross throughout the neighborhood with St. Mark Lutheran Church and St. Luke Roman Catholic Church at noon followed by a light soup luncheon and a joint Good Friday Liturgy with St. Mark Lutheran church at 7:00 p.m. Two services were held on Easter Sunday with an Easter Egg hunt for the younger children hosted by St. George’s Youth Group.
- St. George’s Youth attended the AGAPE Festival Apr. 30 – May 2 in Greenville, IL.
- A mid week Evening Prayer Service started on Wednesday evening at 5:30 p.m.
- St. George’s Book Club held its inaugural meeting on April 18 for a discussion on *The Shack*. In June, they will discuss the book *Tuesday with Morrie*. They also formed a Movie Group. *Jesus Christ, Superstar* was the first movie on Saturday, March and *Gran Torino* screening was held on Sunday, May 16. Discussion over supper follows the movies.

- Community Service is sponsoring a “*Send a Kid to Camp*” drive for the Franklin Neighborhood Association.
- A joint service was held on May 13, Ascension Day, with St. Mark Lutheran and Peace Lutheran Churches.
- Letter Carriers Food Drive collected boxes and cans of food May 8. St. George and St Mark Food Pantry received a harvest of food in the form of thousands of cans of fruit, vegetables, and nearly everything else.
- On May 9 St. George’s choristers received their medals, Emily DeHoyos, Jenna Maves, Stephen Korte and Evan Tenpenny.
- United Thank Offering was held and \$677 was collected.
- Golf League every Monday evening.
- WEDG (Women’s Ecumenical Dining Group) gathered at a different restaurant each month for good fun, good food and good conversation.
- This has been an extremely busy summer for St, George's. We began with our annual Parish Picnic on Sunday June 6 held at Todd hall. Over 100 folks gathered on a beautiful sunny Sunday at the outdoors chapel to celebrate the Eucharist. We were joined by Deacon Joan Garcia- loaned from her usual assignment at Granite City and Glen Carbon, as well as Fr. Emery and Alice Washington, much loved at St. George's since an extended gig supplying before Fr. Dale arrived. Many youngsters and children were present, and a balloon fight set up by Tom Boshert enlivened the afternoon. Everyone enjoyed a potluck luncheon afterwards. Games were enjoyed by everyone in the afternoon.
- Hosted a potluck supper for the Work Week participants, headed up by Joe Hooten, in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, June 9.
- At the end of a successful Sunday School year, our superintendent Chelsea Meyer sponsored a parish breakfast, and shortly thereafter she announced Dana Meyer (no relation-just kidding!) would lead Sunday School in the fall, and they would recruit two teachers for each class. They now have completed that recruiting and teachers including Fr. Dale's daughters, Jackie and Jill, will begin teaching in September.
- The Spirituality Commission has established opportunities for a Book Club, as well as a movie night, for looking at authors' and film makers' uses of God in their works. They also asked Fr. Dale to hold Evening Prayer for parishioners wishing to pray using the BCP form on Wednesday evening.
- Outreach ministries collected funds for Franklin/Jefferson kids to attend the Neighborhood Summer Camp Program.
- The 30+ choir and youth choristers were thanked for their hard work and took a break over the summer. They have the summer to sit with family members and help lead the singing from the pews.
- Collecting school supplies for the Franklin/Jefferson Neighborhood Association.
- A large Cursillo at Todd Hall, led by Sue Vaughn and many from St. George's saw seven of our own folks and many from around the Diocese make the weekend renewal July 7-10. Even though music director, Nancy Ipma was one of those new cursillistas, she hasn't yet introduced kazoos into the worship!
- Ultreya was held at St. George’s on Saturday, July 10.
- Duffy Walters and a gang of ten are the Holy Wanderers, and preparing for a pilgrimage to Israel in October. They are preparing in part by reading *Left Behind*, and they believe that will be the fate of the rest of St. George's folks if Jesus does return to Jerusalem while they are there! It will be the "Rapture uh" as fundamentalists like to yell!

- Celebration of New Ministry was held on Sunday, July 25. After being priest at St. George's for three years, The Rev. Canon Dale Coleman was installed as Rector. The service was held at 4:00p.m. followed by a catered meal in the Parish Hall. The Chief Celebrant was The Right Reverend Peter H. Beckwith, retired Bishop of Springfield. Deacon of the Mass was the Rev. Joan Garcia, who enjoyed herself so much that she decided to marry Fr. Dale on August 7 at Todd Hall! It was a small family wedding with Pastor Ron Neustadt-preacher at the Installation-officiating the babbling brook occasion.

- Fr. Gary Dalmasso held a Healing Service on Thursday, August 12 at St. George's.

- A large ad was placed in the Belleville News Democrat's Church Insert section, and while stating our mission clearly as Episcopalians, we saw a 25% increase in attendance. Now we must respond to these folks seeking a church home.

- **Rally Sunday – Sunday, August 29**, we held our annual Rally Day breakfast at 9:00 am. A regular 8:00 a.m. Eucharist was scheduled. At 10:30, a joint worship service with St. Mark Church held to honor Pr. Ron Neustadt, who retired at the end of August after over 30 years of being the pastor at St. Mark Lutheran Church. A special Evensong was also planned at 4:00 pm followed by a reception. We will be very sorry to see this fine, wonderful pastor leave St. Mark. We wish him well!

*(Respectfully submitted by the St. George's Parish Church Office)*

**DARROW DEANERY Cluster Ministry: GLEN CARBON, St. Thomas and GRANITE CITY, St. Bartholomew's:**

- The youth group of the combined churches has been very active during the fall. They have completed a scavenger hunt for can goods to donate to the Glen Ed Food Pantry. They held a chili lunch as a fund raiser for going to Youth Quake in January. They have also had a hay ride and a few other meetings.

- There is a confirmation class with two from St. Bartholomew's and 6 from St. Thomas that has been meeting in August. The bishop will confirm them on November 22 at St. Thomas.

- The joint youth group of the cluster ministry continued to meet. Six members attended YouthQuake over the Martin Luther King Holiday and reported it was a great experience and a help in their faith.

- Both churches began a bible study on the positive encouragement of scripture to marriage.

- Both churches voted to have an alternative Wednesday Lenten service which began on Ash Wednesday. We will have the Eucharist followed by a soup supper and the study of the Exodus and its present meaning to us as the people of God. This will culminate in Seder supper put on by the youth group on Wednesday of Holy Week. It was a very popular event last year when introduced for the first time.

- At the end of January, Bishop Beckwith asked the cluster churches to receive The Rev. Joan Garcia as our deacon. She has transferred from the Diocese of Rio Grande and is working for the United Church of Christ at its Highland, IL headquarters. We were happy to welcome her and over the next month will work out her responsibilities with the cluster.

- The Reverend Canon Eugene Stormer announced his retirement, effective September 30, 2010.

***St. Bartholomew's, Granite City***

- St. Bartholomew's held its fall rummage sale on the first week of November with lots of participation and help given to the poor in the neighborhood. We have also sponsored a number of food drives to help stock the Community Care food bank. The ECW ladies have held a

pampered chief party and put together shoe boxes for distribution to the poor. The annual Branson trip was held this past weekend.

- St. Bartholomew's held its annual meeting on January 23, elected new officers and received the reports of last year.

- In January, we were approach by Grace Community Church to use or facility on a temporary basis. They had been renting a public facility down the street and came into conflict with zoning commission and the city. They were to vacate their premises for worship services on Sunday but could continue to use the skating ring for their outreach program during the week. Their pastor met with Bishop's Committee in January and we consented to let them use our church for worship on Sunday. Their service was moved back to 11 a.m. so as to allow the St. Bartholomew's congregation time to finish its service. They are hoping the zoning issue resolves itself in the next few months. In the meantime they are welcome to use our building.

- St. Bartholomew's hosted it annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake and Sausage Supper on Tuesday February 16. It was well attended.

- St. Bartholomew's finished its Lenten program of studying the Book of Exodus and celebrated Holy Week and a great Easter.

- On April 30 and May 1 we conducted our outreach program of a rummage sale for the poor in our area. It was a great success and many people donated items that could be sold cheaply. In the Spring Sale we concentrated on summer clothes.

- We continue to work with Grace Community Church (Southern Baptist) who shares our church building for services on Sunday and holds their Wednesday bible study in our parish hall.

- After Easter Day, the Bishop's Committee chose to do a new bible study based on the book by Don Piper: *90 Minutes in Heaven*. This bible study focuses on heaven and coincides with the Sunday readings during the Easter season from the book of Revelation. The bible study meets on Thursday evenings.

- St. Bartholomew's completed the restoration of the stained glass windows.

- During the summer we have concentrated on survival.

- We participated in the VBS program with St. Thomas the week of July 18 which centered on Joseph in Egypt. There were 22 children attending from the two churches.

- St. Bartholomew's engaged in two sessions of discussion about the nominees during the months preceding the Nominating Synod so that we would be prepared.

- We also had our annual joint picnic with St. Thomas on August 8.

- We will resume our bible study in September and continue with the idea of Life after Death which we began using 90 minutes in heaven that ended in mid-June.

- Both congregations wish our deacon, The Rev. Joan Garcia the best on her wedding of August 7. A cake and card celebration was held on August 15 for her.

### ***St. Thomas, Glen Carbon***

- St Thomas has continued with Bible Study of the Early Church through the fall.

- St. Thomas Day Care is finishing it new web site to help bring in more children.

- St. Thomas held its annual meeting on January 24 and elected new officers.

- St. Thomas is experiencing a drop in finances and attendance since the later part of last year. Various strategies were discussed on this issue.

- They have set the date for the next pasta fest as March 20.

- St. Thomas celebrated a great Holy Week. The youth group conducted its second Seder Meal on Wednesday of Holy week. We held the Easter Vigil Service.

- In March we held our Pasta Fest day which offers three kinds of pasta to the community from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. It was very successful.
  - St. Thomas also chose to use the Bible Study, *90 minutes in Heaven* on Wednesday evenings, beginning with Eucharist and a supper.
  - St. Thomas Day Care has been increasing its numbers of children attending after a down turn due to parents being laid off and transferred.
  - We said goodbye to John and Shelia Hellrung who have led the youth group for the last four years.
  - The youth group attended the Agape Music Conference at Greenville College in Illinois.
  - St. Thomas suspended Wednesday Eucharist during the summer. The week of July 18 we held a Vacation Bible School with the theme of Egypt at the time of Joseph. We had 22 children attend and were helped by the ladies from St. Bartholomew's who prepared the meals. Our youth group was very helpful in being leaders for the children's group during the VBS.
  - St. Thomas continued the Day Care program through the summer with decreased staffing due to the drop in numbers. We are looking forward to the return of children now that school has returned. We graduated 4 to Kindergarten on Thursday, August 12th.
  - We held a joint day of prayer for the Nominating Synod on August 4th and reviewed the various candidates. With St. Bartholomew's we held our joint picnic August 8th in Miner's Park.
  - We have been in renovation mode of the rental property this past month.
- (Respectfully submitted by the Reverend Canon Eugene A. Stormer, Canon Missioner)*

### **EDWARDSVILLE, St. Andrew's:**

The year of 2010 began with our annual **Epiphany Evensong**, followed by Potluck dinner and King's Cake.

**The Rector's Class** undertook the study of **Karen Armstrong's book "The Case for God"**. At the completion of that book, a major task in and of itself (!) we spent the remainder of time studying the Sunday Lectionary readings.

During **Lenten Wednesdays** we studied "**The Power of Forgiveness**", acclaimed the **Best Documentary** at the **Sun Valley Spiritual Film Festival of 2007**. During Lent we also had another **Taize Service** which was a beautiful worship event.

This year our neighbor, **St. Boniface Catholic Church**, asked us to join with them in a joint service of the beginning to the **Great Vigil of Easter**. Not only was it moving in terms of the liturgy it was moving for all of us in terms of ecumenism. The event was published in the **Catholic Diocese of Springfield's newspaper** as well as on the front cover of the St. Boniface newsletter.

This year **St. Andrew's** was one of nearly 100 historic congregations to be recognized by the **Illinois Society for over 150 years of faithful service**. Representatives from the congregation completed the application procedure and accepted the certificate of recognition at the **ISHS symposium and banquet in Wheaton, Illinois on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010**.

On May 1<sup>st</sup> we had our annual **Mayfest** event. After a lengthy study of how Mayfest had gone the past few years we changed some things to make it slightly less labor intensive; one change was having it a one day affair as opposed to two days. This event, along with the Book Sale that goes with it, has made a name for itself in the Edwardsville community.

Our **Journey Youth Group**, led by Tom Atwood, set an all time attendance record this year. Thanks to Tom they have their own website and now the group is even on Facebook!

For the third year during the months of June through August we moved to one celebration of Holy Eucharist on Sunday mornings instead of two. **Fr. Pence**, assisting priest and priest in charge of Pastoral Care supplied while Mother Bennett was on vacation. Our **Church School** teachers provided a summer program of Church School again this summer.

Our annual **Rummage Sale**, on August 28<sup>th</sup>, was the result of a great deal of work by many faithful parishioners. Our **Outreach Committee**, as always, takes on an amazing amount of outreach ministry to the community, including ministry to fifteen families during Christmas!

The addition of our **Parish Life Coordinator** and the evolution of a **Nurture Committee** as well as a **Communications Committee** have greatly added to our life and planning for the future. Part of this has been the development of our ability to create an “on line” version of our newsletter, **The Shield**, as well as work on fund raising and refinement of our website.

We continue to have building repair issues; most notably this year moisture damage and the need to replace the entire front doors and frame. This is but a thumb nail sketch of all that has gone on at St. Andrew’s this past year.

#### **O’FALLON, St. Michael’s:**

- The Sunday School and Adult Bible Classes re-commenced in September after the summer break.
- The Adult Bible Class, led by the Vicar, continues to study *the Book of Esther*.
- The Church held its Fall United Thank Offering.
- The Seventh Annual St. Michael’s Golf Day was held at Governor’s Run in Carlyle, IL. in September. Approximately forty members and friends participated in the tournament. Dinner and Presentations of Prizes followed after the golf tournament. This year, two members of the congregation made their vacation villa in Flager Beach, Florida, available to be auction off for three separate vacation packages.
- A Sexual Abuse Prevention Training Seminar was led by Walt and Marge Evans. Three members participated.
- The Men’s Group held a Breakfast for the ladies of the congregation. A wonderful breakfast was prepared and enjoyed by all who attended.
- The Patron Feast Day was celebrated in September with the Holy Eucharist followed by cake reception.
- A few of our members - Jack Moelmann, Roberta Clark, Jean and Jerry Anderson interviewed two of the last remaining “seed” members of the church, Vi Ohlemeier and Shelby Hamilton and produced from the interviews a well documented booklet on “The Founding of St. Michael’s.
- On October 4, a Service of the Blessing of the Animals was held in honor of St. Francis of Assisi. Each owner was presented with a certificate while their pets were blessed.
- The church held two congregational meetings on October 4 and 11 for the purpose of sharing information on the possibility of sharing our church facilities with New Creation Presbyterian Church. At the second meeting, the congregation voted unanimously for this new relationship to

become a reality. As a result, the time of the Sunday Eucharist was changed from 9:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. beginning November 8.

- On October 10, the congregation engaged in the Fall Work-Up Day inside and outside of the church building. A tremendous amount of work was completed on that day.

- The Fellowship Committee hosted an Octoberfest Root Beer Tasting Party on October 10. A wide variety of root beer was consumed by all who attended.

- St. Michael's held for the first time a Harvest Festival on October 18. It was a time to emphasize our thankfulness to God for His many blessings to us and to give to those who are less fortunate than we are. The Church was decorated with a variety of food products including canned, boxed, and bottled food donated by members of the congregation. After the festival, the food was given to the O'Fallon Food Pantry for the needy.

- Members of the congregation participated in the Annual O'Fallon Crop Walk on October 11 so as to assist in raising money for both the local food bank and for international relief and development efforts of Church World Services.

- On October 31, the members of the church held its first Craft Boutique and Second Hand Treasures Faire in the church building. A large number of booths displayed several items. These items included several that were made by the members during the weekly crafters' workshops. Several members were involved in putting on the very successful faire, which is planned to be an annual event.

- A joint service between St. Michael's and New Creation Presbyterian Church was held on Sunday, November 1, All Saints Day to celebrate the start of the two churches using the facilities together. A reception was held immediately following. During the service, departed loved ones of members and friends of both churches were remembered.

- Stewardship Ingathering was held on Sunday, November 8.

- The Bishop's Committee met for a Planning Meeting on November 8 to organize services and events for the 2010 Calendar. This meeting was preceded by the ministries, committees and organizations' submission of their events with proposed dates.

- Members of the church attended the Thanksgiving Colonial Candlelight Dinners at His Rest Bed and Breakfast in Freeburg, IL.

- The Youth made and sold apple, cherry, and pumpkin pies for Thanksgiving. The pies were collected on the eve of Thanksgiving (November 25).

- Delivering of turkeys and food to a number of needy families was done on Sunday, November 22 as part of its outreach ministry for Thanksgiving.

- The church held its second "Light a Luminary for a Loved One or Friend Project." The luminaries were lit outside of the church building every evening from the first Sunday in Advent (November 28, 2009) until the last day of the Christmas Season (January 5, 2010). The light shining from the holiday luminaries symbolizes the lives of beloved family members and friends and the significance of these individuals.

- The youth and their leaders are engaged in an outreach ministry at the Belleville Christian Center in which they distribute clothing to the poor and needy each Monday.

- Two Christmas Pops Organ Concerts, performed by the organist, were held at his home on December 4 and 5. As usual the congregation had a great time singing traditional Christmas carols, being treated to a silent movie comedy starring Laurel and Hardy with organ accompaniment and a "Tribute to America."

- The members of the congregation participated in their Annual Angel Tree project in which clients of the Violence Prevention Center of Southwestern Illinois (formerly Women's Crisis Center) and children received Christmas gifts. Gifts were submitted by December 13. The church

also sponsored the Christmas party for the Peace Place Art Therapy program at the Violence Prevention Center in Belleville.

- The congregation held a Holiday Cookie Walk on December 13, featuring dozens of different assortments of homemade cookies, candy, and hot chocolate. It was a wonderful opportunity for members and friends of St. Michael's as well as patrons to stock up for the Christmas holidays.
- Christingle Service, a Christmas candlelight service for the entire family but with emphasis on children, was held on Sunday, December 13. The Sunday School performed a Christmas Pageant consisting of drama, music and recitation at this service. They received Christingles and a bag of goodies to take home.
- The Music Ministry of the Church produced its first compact disc (CD) entitled "*The Glorious Sounds of Christmas.*" The disc consists of Christmas hymns, carols, and songs played by our church's organist.
- Christmas Service was held on Christmas Eve (December 24) with Carol singing and Festive Holy Eucharist.
- St. Michael's held a Progressive Dinner on January 9. A large number of adult members of the congregation attended the Progressive Dinner. Appetizers, dinner and dessert were served at the homes of members of the congregation. It was a delightful time for fellowship.
- A number of our youth and adult members attended the Youth Quake 2010 in Ridgecrest, North Carolina. It was a spiritually uplifting time for them.
- We continue to have weekly Adult Bible Study group sessions that are interesting and enlightening as persons share together in this exercise. Presently, the group is studying the three Johannine letters.
- The Annual Meeting was held on Sunday, January 17 with the submission of reports, Election of Members to the Bishop's Committee, Diocesan Synod and Darrow Deanery Convocation. The Meeting was preceded by the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, and a delicious potluck, which was prepared by members of the church.
- The Vicar attended the Clergy Pre-Lenten Retreat at King's House, Belleville, IL from February 8-10.
- The members of the church held their third Pancake and Sausage Day on Shrove Tuesday (February 16). It was a successful event with both adults and young people working together in fellowship and ministry.
- The church is participating in a drive for the Southwest Illinois Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA).
- Ash Wednesday services were held at 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m. at St. Michael's with the celebration of the Holy Eucharist and the Imposition of Ashes at both services.
- The Church's Music Ministry has produced its second compact disc (CD) entitled "*A Medley of Favorite Hymns*" featuring our organist. The disc consists of hymns that are sung on Sunday mornings during the Eucharist. One of the medleys features our church choir singing three favorite processional and recessional hymns.
- A number of our young people and adult members participated at New Beginnings #25, which was held at Epworth Camp, Louisville, IL from February 19-21.
- A few of the ladies of our church attended the Episcopal Church Women (ECW) Lenten Retreat at Toddhall, Columbia, IL from February 19-21.
- We held another Sexual Abuse Prevention Training program on February 21.
- Every Wednesday in Lent (beginning February 24 and ending on March 24), the church will be holding Soup and Salad Suppers followed by the Eucharist and Lenten Study on the Book of Esther.

- As part of our outreach program, the church has been collecting food coupons as a means of purchasing food for the Food Pantry.
- During the winter season, the members have also been collecting coats, hats, gloves for the clothing pantry at Belleville Christian Center which is managed by St. Michael's.
- Some members of the church continue to be involved with the ongoing Schnuck's rebate program called EScrips which has been reaping benefits to St. Michael's.
- The focus of this year's Lenten program was on the *Book of Esther*, one of the two books attributed to a woman in the Hebrew Scriptures. The Vicar gave a power point presentation while teaching on a couple of chapters of the Book of Esther each Sunday.
- Each Wednesday night during Lent (except on Ash Wednesday), the congregation gathered for Soup and Salad Suppers in the Church Hall followed by the Celebration of the Eucharist and Bible Study. Members came together in fellowship for the suppers, the Eucharist and Bible Study. Members were formed into groups to discuss and present responses to questions based on the chapters of the *Book of Esther* that were examined the previous Sunday.
- The members of the congregation received meditation booklets to assist them devotionally in the Lenten observances.
- On March 14, a St. Patrick's Day potluck was held immediately after the Eucharist.
- During the month of March, the church participated in the annual campaign of the Southwest Illinois Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America providing large quantities of bulk items and financial contributions for distribution to our military men and women.
- The Church continued to have on sale its second CD entitled: A Medley of Favorite Hymns. The CD features our church's organist, Jack Moelmann, with some selections by the Choir.
- The annual Spring Work Day was held on March 20. Members of the congregation came together for work and fellowship. Some of those who were unable to work on the day participated during the week leading up to Work Day.
- Holy Week Services began with the Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist on March 28 (Palm Sunday).
- On March 31, the Altar Guild, once again, put together a beautiful "Garden of Gethsemane" in the narthex where the Altar of Repose was situated.
- Holy Week services included Mass on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. with Bible Study, the Mass of the Lord's Supper with Foot Washing, Stripping of the Altar on Maundy Thursday followed by the Watch until 12:00 noon on Good Friday. The Liturgy of Our Lord's Passion was held on Good Friday and the Easter Vigil followed by the First Mass of Easter was held on Easter Even.
- On Easter Sunday, the second Mass of Easter was held followed by an Easter Egg Hunt for the children.
- On April 14, St. Michael's held a Book Study on the book titled "The Shack," written by William Paul Young. Jean Anderson led the discussion group.
- During the month of April, two members of our church, Jack Moelmann and Roberta Clark, assembled two volumes of information on the history and development of the church.
- The congregation participated in United Thank Offering Ingathering on April 18.
- On April 24, the Fellowship Committee organized a Spaghetti Dinner in the Parish Hall. It was enjoyed by members and friends.
- The church recognized Church Periodical Club (CPC) Sunday and contributed financially to the Club on May 2.
- The Vicar participated in the National Day of Prayer Celebration Ceremony at the O'Fallon City Hall on May 6.

- St. Michael's participated with the O'Fallon Community Food Pantry by volunteering in the US Postal Service Food Drive on May 8. Members assisted in setting up, picking up and transporting donations, and sorting and stocking food.
- On Sunday, May 9 (Mother's Day), tokens were given to all ladies in the congregation and a special blessing was given to all mothers.
- On May 16, we welcomed Father Jay Pierce, a speaker for Food for the Poor, as our preacher. Fr. Pierce spoke on the ministry of Food for the Poor and afterwards led an Adult Forum in which he answered questions from the congregation.
- The Fellowship Group hosted a day long Winery Tour on May 22 to Von Jakob Vineyard and Winery in Ponoma, IL, Blue Sky Vineyard, Makanda, IL and the Shawnee Hills Wine Trail located in Jackson and Union counties of southern Illinois. It was a day of great fellowship, food, fun and wine tasting.
- The Sunday School will go on recess for the summer at the end of the month of May.
- On June 7, St. Michael's provided dinner at Toddhall for the youth who were engaged in Youth Work Week. Father Tony commissioned the group of young people and their adult leaders following the dinner.
- The annual Outdoor Eucharist and Picnic were held at the Thoman Park in O'Fallon, on Sunday, June 13. During the Eucharist, which began at 10:30 a.m., presentations were made to Sunday School children. The Sunday School teachers were also honored for their ministry. It was a good day of fun, delicious food and fellowship. The day's event was organized by Kelly Etheridge and the Fellowship team.
- On Father's Day, June 20, all men attending the Eucharist were given tokens of appreciation.
- Father Tony prepared four children for their First Communion during the month of June. These children received their communion for the first time on Sunday, June 27 during the celebration of the Holy Eucharist.
- Preparation for the Vacation Bible School took place during the month of June.
- One of our youth members, Sabrina Clindaniel, attended the Episcopal Church Camp of Illinois at the East Bay Camp, Hudson, IL from June 27 to July 3.
- The Fellowship Committee hosted a Red, White and Blue Elephant Auction and Potluck on July 11. The funds raised from the event went towards the Lower level Building Project.
- From July 26-30, St. Michael's held its Vacation Bible School (VBS) entitled *Cosmic City*. Coordinated and assisted by over thirty adults and young people, the VBS was a great success with forty children, ages three to ten years, attending. The decorations in the church beautifully depicted a cosmic city environment with several space-looking objects and props. Children were treated to crafts, drama, bible stories, music, games, activities to remind children of God's love for them, and dinner.
- St. Michael's observed the Day of Prayer on the eve of the Nominating Synod
- The Fellowship Committee hosted the Annual Wine Tasting event on Saturday, August 21. A good time was enjoyed by all.

*(Respectfully submitted by – St. Michael's Church Office)*

*Collated and Respectfully Submitted by:  
The Very Rev. Dr. Anthony B. Holder, Dean*

## **EASTERN DEANERY**

### **St. John's, Albion**

St. John's in Albion has stayed strong and committed even with a small congregation. We have stayed faithful, so that the oldest church building in the Diocese will continue to be used, and we are proud of that heritage.

We have been thankful to have Father Brant Hazlett and Deacon Ann Tofani to provide services for us.

We are a very small congregation, and money has been an issue for us, as it is with many congregations.

Fr. Hazlett said that Ash Wednesday services would be held in Mt. Carmel.

In March, the Standing Committee reassigned leaders and assigned Deacon Ann to Robinson, while Fr. Gene Tucker was assigned as Priest-in-Charge and Deacon Bill Howard was reassigned to be Assisting Deacon, leading us in Sunday morning worship.

St. John's has also had three new families who have come. They are very instrumental in helping and being a part of the congregation.

During confirmation held at Trinity, Mt. Vernon in May, Richard Tribe, from St. John's, was confirmed by Bishop Parsons.

Fr. Tucker also held a training session for those interested in being Worship Leaders, and we have four trained and licensed, as well as a couple more being interested in being a Lector.

Our church members collected canned/dry goods, and we were the guest church at the Hope Center, an organization devoted to helping those in need, with one member giving a short inspirational talk. We had several members help with that distribution on a Saturday morning in April.

We collected small items to be used as small prizes for the residents of Rest Haven Manor, and will continue this on a more regular basis.

We have future plans to get in the rotation to provide communion with the Ministerial Alliance.

We also had goodie bags at Easter with candy and a hand-crocheted angel, which were given to all residents of Rest Haven Manor. We even made treat bags for some of the employees to enjoy. Both of these projects are ongoing, and we plan to do some type of treat bag at Christmas. Richard has also volunteered to play for the residents of Rest Haven during the summer when school is not in session.

We have done some repairs at our church, and also some new items have been added to enhance the church. We have new gravel for the parking lot, major window repairs have been done, solar lights have been installed by the sidewalks, flowers have been planted, some painting has been done, the vestment chest has been repaired, and new patio steps have been installed. Some of these things were paid for by donations, and others were financed by the church.

We plan to use memorial monies to purchase 1982 Hymnals if we can get a good buy, do more painting and repair of existing windows, have a spring/fall house cleaning, and participate in the Albion Heritage Days, where we had close to 200 visitors last year. This year, we will again offer pamphlets and will add a tri-fold informational brochure, display vestments, photos, and old memorabilia, as well as refreshments for our guests. Fr. Tucker is going to be present to answer any questions. Several of our members will also take part. This will be in October.

Deacon Howard made arrangements to take communion to a couple of home-bound members.

We feel blessed to continue to have a priest and/or deacon to provide us with services.

We are small in number, but have not let that deter us from keeping up on happenings in the Diocese and the national church, sending delegates to Synod meetings, and being interested in our future bishop selection. We feel our challenges are: the distances we travel, numbers of people involved, and, as always, money. Most of those things have been challenges for years, but we just keep going!

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Holly Scherer, Clerk

### **St. John's, Centralia**

The Lord has been very, very good to the congregation of St. John's, Centralia, in the past year.

Our service attendance has remained steady, and has actually grown with the addition of new worshippers who have moved to the area. Our service time of 8:30 AM on Sunday mornings seems to work fairly well for most of our congregants.

Our finances have been solidly in the black all year.

We concluded a very successful midweek study series in May (having begun it in October), considering the matter of Christian Ethics, using as our text a former Nashotah House professor, the Rev. Stephen Holmgren's book *Ethics after Easter*. We expect to begin a new season of midweek study, again on Thursday evenings following Mass, in October, using the *Alpha* series.

We are blessed to have a wonderful Deacon in the person of Sylvia Howard, who takes diligent care of those who are unable to attend services on a regular basis.

Our seminarian, Mr. Jeff Kozuszek, is winding up the ordination process, and we look forward to the possibility of his ordination, perhaps sometime this fall. St. John's has now been blessed to be able to offer two of its members for ordained ministry, the first being Mother Sherry Black.

The Mission Wardens of St. John's have taken excellent care of our physical plant. Mr. Keith Carter had initially served in this capacity, and was followed by Mr. Ivan McCrary, who succeeded him earlier this summer. During the past year, an unpleasant and fruitless relationship with the local franchisee of the ADT security system was successfully ended. Needed repairs to the northeast corner of the church's roof were accomplished in July as Ivan McCrary and his son,

Sean, mounted tall ladders to reseal the roof. Once the ensuing rains made it clear that the roof had been successfully resealed, these two men began repairing the interior plaster work. It is expected that the re-plastering and repainting effort may be complete sometime in September. Meanwhile, a successful Rogation work day was held earlier this year. The rainy weather on that occasion made indoor work the focus of the day's efforts, and a great deal of cleaning and upkeep was accomplished. Outside, ongoing yard work and a mowing schedule ensure that St. John's exterior is also well cared for.

St. John's has also been blessed to be able to offer active representation on Diocesan Council as Mr. Keith Carter was elected to serve as Deanery Representative at the Deanery meeting in September, 2009. Keith undertakes excellent efforts to keep Deanery churches informed about current events of interest.

Miss Patricia Patterson cares for the altar and its furnishings, offering a weekly column to the *Centralia Sentinel* newspaper which contains historical and/or liturgical information. Patricia's level of detail in these weekly offerings is a wellspring of background which enriches as it informs.

Our outreach offerings have expanded greatly in the past year. We have continue to collect non-perishables and canned goods for local food banks, and have recently begun to take part in a community feeding program at a sister church, the Calumet Street Christian Church. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Walsh have spearheaded this effort, which involves St. John's members on the third Thursday of each month, at which time needy persons are offered a hot, home-cooked meal. Fr. Tucker's antique fire truck was entered into last year's Halloween Parade, sporting banners which advertised the church. We will repeat this outreach effort again this October.

As is common with many small congregations, the level of active and regular participation in worship, and in all areas of our common life together, remains extraordinarily high. Church members, most of them, worship together weekly, and undertake some additional task or tasks to get the Lord's work done in this place.

The result is a unified and active church community, serving God and serving others in Centralia.

Not all of our common life has been marked by blessings, however. Mrs. Marguerite (Peggy) Ulen passed into life eternal on July 25<sup>th</sup>, at age 84. Peggy was a faithful and cheerful presence in this congregation, and though we are strengthened by knowing that she is with the Lord now, we still mourn her passing. A memorial service is being planned for a time in the near future, so that St. John's members can express their thanks to God for the gift that Peggy has been to all of us.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Very Rev. Gene R. Tucker, Priest in Charge

### **St. Laurence, Effingham**

St. Laurence is a small congregation of six members and an ELCA minister and his wife who are active in our church. We operate on a minimal deficit budget. Even though we are located in

downtown Effingham, we do not attract new members. Most of the people who visit are relatives of the congregation, travelers passing through, or people needing assistance.

Our outreach consists mainly of contributing food donations, including fresh garden produce, to Catholic Charities and in assisting the FISH organization with a cash donation, and with manual labor in setting up a Christmas store where children and parents can shop free for gifts, and are given the fixings for a Christmas dinner.

We keep the buildings and grounds well maintained. Part of our driveway needed to be repaired this year

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Carolyn Pogue, Bishop's Warden

### **St. John the Baptist, Mt. Carmel**

We have had a quiet summer at St. John the Baptist. Many parishioners have been on vacation. Progress has been made on the Undercroft renovation. A couple of new faces have been present for services on Sundays. We are looking forward to resuming our adult study and children's Christian education studies in September. May God continue to pour down His blessings upon us.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mr. Don Kensell, Rector's Warden

### **Trinity, Mt. Vernon**

Trinity, Mt. Vernon has experienced a year which has been marked with growth and with a continued faithful ministry to the people of our community and to our community of faith.

The year 2009 ended with solid financial indicators, with parish receipts exceeding expenses by a margin of about 10%. During the course of the last year, we have welcomed new members by transfer, and have folded new worshippers into our midst, as well. We were blessed not to have any funerals for members of the church family.

Our outreach ministries continue, as we support Mt. Vernon's homeless shelter, the Hope in Christ Ministries, with monthly collections of non-perishable and canned foods, and with financial support. We also support the local collective outreach agency known as Angels on Assignment with financial support. Additional outreach support has been designated from our ongoing collection of an earmarked Outreach Offering. The proceeds of this offering are designated by vote of the Vestry.

Our Rector also extends the parish's outreach with his involvement in the Jefferson County Ministerial Association. He serves as President of this organization for the year 2010. This organization supports a number of ministries in the local area. As a member church of this organization, we entered a display in the annual Christmas in the Park event, held in December last year.

Trinity's worship seeks to maintain the best of traditional Anglican worship. We are ably supported in this effort by having the services of two organists, Mr. Gary Wagner and Mrs. Linda Welch. They are joined by our parish choir, which sings an anthem each Sunday from September through May. Trinity's active and large Altar Guild is led by Mrs. Joyce Bruce. The Altar Guild has welcomed a number of new members since our last report. Two members of the congregation, Mr. Barney Bruce and Mr. Jim Adams, serve as Lay Eucharistic Ministers, as well.

The St. Anne's Guild, Trinity's ECW chapter, meets monthly from September through May. The women of this organization undertake quite a number of ministries, both within and without the parish. One of their main fundraisers is their annual Chili Luncheon, held on a Thursday, one week before Thanksgiving. The Chili Luncheon has a very long and productive history at Trinity. Hundreds of patrons come to either eat in the Parish Hall, or to carry out orders of chili or Italian beef sandwiches. Many current members speak fondly of their own mothers' involvement in the Chili Luncheons of years ago.

Christian education is an important part of our common life together. Mr. Barney Bruce leads an excellent Sunday morning Bible Study from September through May. At the same time, Trinity's Sunday School for children meets in an adjacent room, led by Mrs. Tracy Adams. A Wednesday morning study group called the "Informal Discussion Group" meets the year round following Wednesday morning Mass. Affectionately known as the "Happy Wanderers" (for their tendency to follow a thread of interest, which might – or might not – be related to the topic at hand), this group is currently engaged in a New Testament survey. Trinity began a midweek evening study series last year, known as the Third Tuesday Study Group. Meeting from September through May, major figures of the Old Testament were considered as part of this group's activities.

An active ministry to the homebound is maintained by Trinity's cadre of Lay Eucharistic Visitors. Mr. E. Minor Pace has undertaken this ministry for a good many years. He was joined by Mrs. Anne Campbell, who has shared in this ministry since 2009. In 2010, Mrs. Esther Schelosky was also licensed to become a part of this ministry.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Very Rev. Gene R. Tucker, Rector

### **St. Mary's, Robinson**

St. Mary's Robinson is a small mission church with extraordinarily faithful parishioners. Many come from surrounding areas and travel fifteen or more miles each Sunday for an 8:00 a.m. service. During Advent last year there was a Bible Study offered on Wed. evenings. The Christmas season was well attended. The cold winter weather during Epiphany and Lent also saw attendance holding steadily.

Holy Week was a time for parishioners to experience the wonderful services our BCP offers and was a great preparation for Easter. The long green season of Pentecost was a time for teaching and learning more about the faith. There were three persons preparing for confirmation. The entire congregation supported them as everyone reviewed the handouts on the church, its beliefs and traditions, and the heresies and difficulties it has overcome. We also learned new terms and

discovered the meanings behind our vestments and the many other things associated with worship.

We also have done some studies from the BCP. Each member of the church has their own personal copy for home use. We are becoming more familiar with this book, which is one of our great treasures.

On Wednesday's we celebrate Morning Prayer at 10 and follow that with Noon Prayers and a time for sharing with a sack lunch.

Our members are also active in community events. Several belong to the Crawford County Historical Society. We also have learned about the adult literacy program at the library and many are taking the ten hours of training required to become tutors.

Hutsonville Days, Palestine's Ft. LaMont celebration, Oblong's Fall Festival are also events where you can see St. Mary parishioners in their t-shirts proclaiming "Serving God Serving Others."

Everyone participates in the work of the church. We have had a hymn sing which was enjoyed by all. Following our Sunday service everyone attends coffee hour in the undercroft.

We are few in number, but we are a loving, vibrant congregation that is making a difference. To God be the glory!

Respectfully submitted  
The Reverend Ann Tofani, Assisting Deacon

### **St. Thomas, Salem**

As the 2009 – 2010 Church year began, St. Thomas was blessed by the addition of several new active people. Owing to health issues, our former organist, Mrs. Virginia Griggs, retired to an administrative support role and Mrs. Martha Stiehl, who had returned to her childhood home of Salem, became our regular organist. Martha's husband, Dr. Jim Stiehl, took up duties as an Orthopedic Surgeon with the Good Sam/St. Mary's complex of hospitals and health facilities. He also became the Treasurer for St. Thomas when our prior Treasurer, Mr. Earl Moldovan, retired. The final big change was the addition of the family of Seminarian Jeff Kosuszek to the St. Thomas family. Jeff came to us to gain practical experience as he continued towards ordination. By the beginning of the 2009 – 2010 Church Year, Jeff was sharing the preaching duties with Vicar Tom Davis and exercising, to a greater extent, his pastoral skills as he met and ministered to the St. Thomas shut-in community.

The ladies of the ECW continued with their monthly meetings, usually with a salad supper or a more substantial meal. At each meeting, one of the members will make a presentation on a woman in the Bible, either Old or New Testament. The ECW ladies lend support to the Diocesan ECW programs and, on their own, continue to assist, as possible, an Indian Reservation in the Southwest part of the U.S. The ECW held one Rummage Sale during the Spring, which provided much of their funding for the year. In addition, they provide a gift the Vicar's Discretionary Fund, used to assist poorer families in the Salem area.

As of January 1, 2010, St. Thomas has a total membership of just over 60 persons, some of whom live remotely, but return periodically to be with family and attend church with them. Our active membership (members in good standing) is approximately 42, plus three toddlers and infants. We have been blessed this year by the addition of two people, one of whom is a transferring in Episcopalian school teacher and one of whom is an ELCA person who moved to Salem and was invited to attend by one of the congregation. A goal of adding three more members during 2011 has been established.

I (Tom Davis) share Eucharistic Visitor duties with the official Eucharistic Minister, Mr. Tom Carr. In addition, I have trained two new Lectors, Dr. Jim Stiehl and Mrs. Bonnie Kozuszek. Both of them have proven to be wonderful additions to the St. Thomas family. I will take retirement on December 1<sup>st</sup> of 2010, actually handing over the reins to my successor on November 21<sup>st</sup> (so that he begins the next Church year on his own), while I take my final week of vacation to visit family. My twelve years of ordained ministry have been blessed by the love, caring, and wonderful friendship of the people of St. Thomas, Salem. I have every expectation that they will love, care for, and grow their new vicar just as they have me. I am eternally grateful and thankful for them.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Rev. Thomas A. Davis, Vicar

## **HALE DEANERY**

### **St. Andrew's, Carbondale**

The Rev. Keith Roderick was instituted as Rector of St. Andrews by the Rt. Rev. Peter Beckwith on September 13, 2009. During the fall, the parish enjoyed its cooperative working relationship with the churches of Carbondale by participating in the Inter faith council. The parish also hosted and participated in services of prayer for Christian Unity, Community Thanksgiving, alternating Lenten services with Epiphany Lutheran Church, and the Feast of the Ascension with St. Francis Xavier Catholic and Epiphany Lutheran churches. It was a co-sponsor of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day community worship service and services of the Church Women United.

The Canterbury Fellowship was reconstituted on the campus of Southern Illinois University. We participated in the SOAR orientation activities to introduce incoming students to the campus ministry programs.

The parish made a concerted effort to raise its public profile in the community. Parish activities have been featured in the *Southern Illinoisan* and on radio at least once a month. St. Andrew's supports the community food pantry, Good Samaritan Ministries, and the Women's Center. The church is collecting ambulatory equipment from members to be shared with those needing special assistance. The parish opened a parish site on Facebook to encourage networking among the members and within the community.

St. Andrew's launched a Christian education program for children and promoted the adult class. It initiated a community education series, The Canterbury Forum, with good success. An examination of Christian minorities in the Near East will continue this fall. The spring series will present individuals speaking about the spiritual perspective of their public service. The

parish has supported the Daughter's of the King which feeds the spiritual mission of the parish by their prayer ministry and birthday greetings. It initiated three new members this past year.

The parish initiated a number of physical improvements to the church including, roof repair, re-siding the church extension, landscaping and step railings.

The parish has supported the SAMs Ministry in Chile, sponsoring a special community offering for the victims of the Chilean earthquake. The parish also sponsored a community offering for the victims of the Haitian earthquake. The parish established a relationship with a parish near the Kampala, Uganda. It held a special offering to purchase English language bibles and prayer books for that parish. The vestry has designated that its mission priority for the upcoming year will be the Christians of the Near East. Its first project will be to assist several Iraqi Christian students who were injured in a bombing targeting them in Mosul.

### **St. James', McLeansboro**

Nov. - The Bell Tower is receiving some much needed attention. Feb. - Continuing a long standing tradition, the members of St. James' supported the local Hamilton County Tree of Lights campaign with a day of Bell ringing on Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> of December. Also in December, we lost a long time faithful member of the congregation to cancer, Sandy Glassford will be fondly remembered and profoundly missed. The New Year started with the Annual meeting and potluck, which was held on the 10<sup>th</sup> of January after the Holy Eucharist. May On February 6<sup>th</sup>, Sandy Glassford's memorial service was held at Hamilton County High School with several hundred celebrating her life. On Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup> the members participated in the Annual Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday.

On March 12<sup>th</sup> the members of St. James' met in Whittington for a Parish dinner. Aug During the summer months St James' has begun a 9am Adult forum before the Holy Eucharist each Sunday. On our Patronal Feast we gathered together and had an Instructed Eucharist.

### **St. James', Marion**

In the fall of 2009 the monthly Men's breakfast began studying the book "Teach Us to Pray". In September, Charles Rogers invited the members of St. James' to his house for his annual Fall party on the. 19<sup>th</sup>. The Bishop's Homecoming on the 27<sup>th</sup> of Sep. was a wonderful celebration of community. A new furnace was needed for the Parish house. The old one quit just in time for winter weather to arrive. On the 13<sup>th</sup> of November the ladies of St. James' came together for a progressive Dinner. On Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>, Fr. Tim baptized a young boy who was at our 2009 Summer V.B.S. and has become a regular at St. James'. The members gathered and distributed five Thanksgiving food Baskets for needy families. In December, the members of St. James helped the Salvation Army with Bell ringing on two different occasions as well as helping to purchase some "Angel Tree" gifts for Christmas. On the 19<sup>th</sup> of December the ladies of St. James' came together for their second annual "Cookie Exchange".

2010 began with a Celebration of the Eve of the Epiphany. That Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, the ladies of the ECW met for a planning meeting to plan activities for the whole year. That same day the monthly men's Breakfast began a discussion of Mike Flynn's book, "Making Disciples". On January 10<sup>th</sup> St. James' hosted the Deanery Cursillo Ultreya. This was St James' second year as a registered participant in the Souper Bowl of Caring, donations went to the Marion Ministerial

Alliance. On February 13<sup>th</sup> the ladies came together for a Valentine's card party. A Group of seven ladies attended the ECW annual Retreat at Todd Hall. The members participated in the "Garage Sale of Southern IL" at the Williamson County Pavilion on Sat. March 27<sup>th</sup>. Over \$200 was raised for outreach.

On April 24<sup>th</sup> the members of St James' held their first annual Chicken BBQ with a hundred meals served and over \$600 raised for outreach. On the 1<sup>st</sup> of May for the monthly Men's Breakfast began the study of the Book, "Why Men Hate going to Church". The ECW held a meeting on May 20<sup>th</sup> with a presentation about the Hands of Hope and presented a contribution of \$50.00. St James' membership presented \$200.00 to the Lighthouse Shelter and another \$200.00 to the Marion Ministerial Alliance from the proceeds of the Chicken BBQ fundraiser held in April.

On the 11<sup>th</sup> of June the Men of St. James' came together for study and then proceeded with a Saturday work day to complete outdoor and yard projects. As pictured in *The Current*, the women gathered that same day for a day of fellowship on the Shawnee Wine Trail. Two of St James' members, Brook Shepherd and Henry Kammerer, made their Cursillo weekend at Todd Hall. The women of St James' came together for a work day in the Parish house on the 24<sup>th</sup> of June. Our newest member, Anthony Van Buskirk went to Church Camp this year. St James' Parish came together for a neighborhood Ice Cream Social on Saturday July 10<sup>th</sup>. Then, from the 19<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup>, the people of St James' presented the V.B.S. program "Water Works" with 10-11 children each evening that week. The celebration of our Patronal feast included a cake at the coffee fellowship after Mass on the 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **St. Mark's, West Frankfort**

Elaine Warren was married to Dennis Peterson on Sep. 26<sup>th</sup> with a reception at West Frankfort Lake. Melissa Nicklin was Received from the Roman Catholic Church on the 27<sup>th</sup> at St. James', M. As shown in the *Current*, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of October the members came together for a Fall Work Day, that evening was the annual Fish Fry at the Pavilion with Bocce Ball and Washer games. In November of 2009 St Mark's established a new Facebook page and used it to publicize the December Bake Sale and to take reservations for the Annual Christmas dinner. On the 5<sup>th</sup> of December the ladies of St. Mark's held their annual Bake sale and raised over \$1,100. St Mark's members came together on the 16<sup>th</sup> of December for the annual Christmas Dinner and White Elephant gift exchange.

The first "game night" of 2010 was held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of January. The Annual Meeting and potluck was held on the 24<sup>th</sup> after the Holy Eucharist. The Souper Bowl of Caring was a good way to get February started, donations went to the food pantry. On February 13<sup>th</sup> the members came together for a Ravioli Dinner and game night. On February 14<sup>th</sup> St Mark's began a monthly "Kidz Klub" with an evening of activities for preschool children (and a break for mom and dad). This is a monthly activity.

For the second year, St. Mark's members, again, prepared Easter food Baskets to give to needy families. Beginning on July 25<sup>th</sup> St Mark's began hosting the "God & Me" Program. This program is designed to teach both Boy and Girl Scouts about their relationship with God and ultimately earn their religion medal and knot.

### **St. Stephen's, Harrisburg**

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of September, 2009 the Bishop's Annual Homecoming and the Confirmation of Cheri King and Garrett Rowe was a great celebration. New glass block windows at ground level were installed. This was necessitated by the July, 2009 break-in. St. Stephen's hosted the Deanery Cursillo Ultreya on the 8<sup>th</sup> of November. As shown in the Current, outreach checks from fundraising activities were presented to the Caring for Kids feeding project and to the Compassion Center Helping Hands. In December the Diocesan Outreach grant was presented to the Christian Community Compassion Center. St Stephen's members came together for the annual potluck celebration after the Christmas Eve candlelight Mass.

The Annual Meeting and potluck was held on January 24<sup>th</sup> after the Holy Eucharist. Also on the 24<sup>th</sup> the members continued their ministry to the residents of Saline Care Center with a Lay lead Sunday Worship Service. This year the members donated 44 cans and \$95 for the Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday. All collections went to the Saline County Food pantry. The members came together on Mar 6<sup>th</sup> at the Williams' farm for a viewing of the "Cotton patch Gospel" and potluck. The Annual Italian Feast was held on the 20<sup>th</sup> of March. Over \$1200 was raised for the building fund and outreach.

St. Stephen's hosted the Deanery Ultreya on the Feast of Pentecost. The Bishop's Committee decided to split half of the Italian Feast proceeds between CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates for children) and the Guardian Center, a charitable service to abused children. In June, two of St Stephen's members, Cheri King and Debbie Williams, made their Cursillo weekend together at Todd Hall. Two youth from St Stephen's went to Church Camp this year, Garrett Rowe and Ben Sheldon. Martin Rowe volunteered to be a first time Counselor at Camp. On July 16<sup>th</sup> the parish family came together to Celebrate the life of Frank Conci, a founding member of St. Stephen's.

### **Redeemer, Cairo**

Bishop Beckwith's final Homecoming visit to Redeemer was on September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

The Annual Meeting and dinner was held on Saturday, January the 23<sup>rd</sup> after the Holy Eucharist. Fr. Bob Harmon visited Redeemer on March 25<sup>th</sup> to see about the possibility of being a regular Supply Priest. He began serving at Redeemer as a Supply Priest on Easter morning. On the 25<sup>th</sup> of April we met with Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church to explore the possibility of combining Sunday Worship in May and June as an experiment. Combined Worship with the Lutheran Church members began on May 2<sup>nd</sup> with more than 20 persons attending. There were 23 people at the Pentecost Holy Eucharist. This was quite an exciting change over the past ten years. The combined worship with Immanuel ELCA has necessitated the purchase of a "new" organ. The family of the Church of the Redeemer came together on the 6<sup>th</sup> of June to celebrate the life of Penny Steinert-Jackson. Penny died on Pentecost Sunday after years of struggle with her health. She was an inspiration to many.

Respectfully Submitted by  
The Very Reverend Canon Richard A. Swan, Dean

## **NORTHEASTERN DEANERY**

### **Emmanuel Memorial Church, Champaign**

It has been a good and profitable year at Emmanuel Church. Although we have seen the death of several much beloved and active members, we have seen modest growth in new individuals and families. Church attendance has remained strong and has even grown a bit. Although we began the year with a projected budget deficit, we ended the year with a \$ 35,000 budget surplise. We have undertaken major upgrades in our building and grounds. The beautiful parish grounds are a major part of our evangelism effort. We completed a new pictorial directory this year. Our youth group is thriving under the able leadership of Deacon Chris Hopkins and our youth mentors (graduates of our youth program who are now college students or college graduates). This past year we embarked on using the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Sunday School curriculum. This year, we were able to add over \$ 20,000 to our endowment for youth ministry. This has gone very well. We continue to pursue outreach ministry on a daily basis through our sack lunch program and on a weekly basis through our food delivery from our food pantry. We sponsored a "food-give-away" by purchasing two tons of food which was given out to the needy. A recent audit of our books showed that we have donated \$ Two million one hundred sixty seven thousand dollars to outreach ministries in the last twenty years. We are grateful for all of the gifts of God's Grace that we share as a parish church, and look forward to being good stewards of God's Grace in the future as we pray we have been in years past.

Respectfully submitted by,  
The Wardens and Rector of Emmanuel Memorial Church

### **St. John the Divine, Champaign**

The completed Chapel continues to be a vehicle for outreach. It has become a favorite venue for musical performances by various community and university groups, and our own Lenten series of noonday organ recitals continues to grow in popularity.

A series of post-Easter dinners hosted by parishioners has raised funds for Episcopal Relief and Development in aid of the Millennium Development Goals. We look forward to continued efforts in that direction during Advent.

Our student constituency continues to exercise leadership at the national level. Rebecca Greenlee is the most recent in a series of students who have been part of the Episcopal Student Leadership Team, which plans the biennial National Student Gathering. A recent graduate, Brett Bravo, is spending the year with the Episcopal Young Adult Service Corps. The National Gathering will be held in Estes Park, Colorado, over the winter break. We will travel by Amtrak with other attendees from Province V.

We have been challenged this year by a number of health emergencies among our members. The response of our members to each others' needs has been a visible witness to the strength and importance of Christian community.

Our fall choral season got off to a glorious start with a Solemn Evensong sung by our choir together with the visiting choir of St. George's Episcopal Church, Nashville, Tennessee. Several of our choristers have earned ribbons from the Royal School of Church Music. They enjoyed their sessions at choir camp.

This fall marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our ministry on the campus of the University of Illinois. We are grateful for innumerable blessings over those years. We look forward to hosting the 133<sup>rd</sup> Diocesan Synod, together with our friends at Emmanuel. We will also be hosting the fall meeting of the Province V University Chaplains in October.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Very Rev. Timothy J. Hallett, Rector

**St. Christopher Episcopal Church, Rantoul**

St. Christopher's vicar is Rev. Steve Thorp and assisting deacon is Rev. Ann Alley. Our Sunday attendance averages about 20

Sara Orr was confirmed by Bishop Peter Beckwith on October 25, 2009.

St. Christopher's holds two annual bazaars. The Fall Bazaar was held in November, 2009; the Spring Bazaar was held in March of 2010. Both bazaars were successful and lots of fun.

Our church again participated in "Operation Christmas Child" (Christmas 09), where participants fill a shoebox with non-perishable gifts for a child. The boxes are then shipped around the world and given to kids who have next to nothing.

Our annual Epiphany Party was celebrated on January 6, 2010 in the English tradition. This tradition has been going on at St. Christopher for many years. It is hosted by Margaret Orr, who was born and raised in England.

Three of our youth attended YOUTHQUAKE January 15-17, 2010. They had a great time and came back with very encouraging reports.

Five ladies from St. Christopher attended the annual ECW Lenten Retreat February 19-21, 2010.

A Seder Supper was held on Maundy Thursday, 2010.

Rev. Alley facilitated a Tuesday bible study this summer on "Fruit of the Spirit".

**NORTHERN DEANERY**

**St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Bloomington**

January was a busy month as we welcomed The Rev. David Halt as our new Rector. Fr. Halt was inducted on January 16<sup>th</sup> by Bishop Beckwith in a very special service. The service was followed by reception organized by the Vestry and Search Committee. We are looking forward to many years of ministry with Fr. Halt.

St. Matthew's is continuing to collect food for the Salvation Army, and has just finished collecting coats for their annual coat drive. We authorized continued support for the Smiths through the South American Mission Society.

During Lent Fr. Halt led a Wednesday night study of Rodney Stark's, "The Rise of Christianity" which focuses on the sociological causes of the explosive growth of Christianity from its origins until the Constantinian settlement.

Our outreach team arranged an evening of work at the Midwest Food Bank in Bloomington, where we packaged bulk pasta. About 20 of us met for work, and we were responsible for packaging 2-3 pound bags of pasta from 500 pound bulk containers.

St. Matthew's has also reconstituted the Episcopal Church Women program, and had 5 members travel to the annual meeting in Decatur. An organizational meeting was held at the church and officers have been elected and discussion continues on a mission project.

A Men's Club has also formed, holding its organizational meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup>, and will continue to meet for food, fellowship, and study on the third Saturday of each month.

On May 23, Pentecost Sunday, we will celebrate the confirmation/reception of 15 candidates (12 youth and 3 adults) with Bishop Parsons.

Over the weekend of April 16<sup>th</sup> the Vestry met for an annual visioning retreat. After much work exploring our history, DNA, and what God is calling us to in our community, the vestry chose three areas in which to concentrate the work of St. Matthew's: 1) Evangelism (including ways to reach out to newcomers, our neighborhood, and making our physical plant more inviting); 2) Ministry Expansion (including creating a prayer group to focus on our mission and vision, increasing outreach opportunities, and fellowship gatherings); 3) Small Groups (ECW, Men's Club, Youth Group).

St. Matthew's hosted a very successful Vacation Bible School this summer with the theme "High Seas Adventure." The parish hall was turned into the quarter deck of a three-masted schooner for five days of formation, fun, and food. A good time was had by all. The VBS children and their families participated in a special Eucharist on the following Sunday and lent their voices to worship leading several songs from the program. "Aye, it were a grand time," said one old sea dog, (DRE Terra Swisher).

We also had several of our young people participate in the Diocesan Camp and they enjoyed themselves immensely.

This fall we are looking forward to celebrating a Neighborhood Day on the 12<sup>th</sup> of September, our Patronal Feast on the 19<sup>th</sup>, and a Blue Mass to honor our emergency service personnel on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **St. Barnabas' Church, Havana**

In March of this year St. Barnabas called Fr. Phillip Boeve from St. Peter's, Ft. Atkinson, Wisconsin to serve as our priest. We look forward to his future with us.

Last winter and spring our Daughters of the King took the membership class as a refresher for most and new training for five new members. The together experience for all involved was great.

St. Barnabas continues in outreach to Havana Community Christian Daycare. For the last two years we have tried to be a more visual presence. (Our primary mission with the Daycare is to provide the complete physical facility for its' housing and operation.) One of our members put on an Easter egg hunt for the Daycare children. Five other adults from the church were present to help with the hunt; Fr. Boeve was also present and had a blessing for the eggs.

Fr. Boeve attended the annual Daycare family picnic and provided a blessing for the meal. In addition, he was asked to speak at the 5&6 year old promotion day attended by parents and grandparents.

In the spring St. Barnabas had a Daycare Sunday when students, their parents and grandparents as well as most of the daycare staff attended. The children sang for the congregation and the sermon had a children's' theme. In addition, two members and Fr. Boeve read to the pre kindergarten class weekly.

As in the past few years, St. Barnabas participated in the Havana Ministerial Alliance's community Bible school. We provided funding, organization, teachers and other assistance as needed. This endeavor reaches a relatively large percentage of Havana children.

### **Trinity Episcopal Church, Lincoln**

January 31, we held our Annual Meeting, followed by brunch in Berger Hall. We elected Vestry members, delegates and alternates to the Diocesan Synod; and we reviewed the programs of the Parish.

During Lent, we held a study on the Gospel of Mark. Other Lenten activities included Stations of the Cross and Soup Suppers, all held on Thursday evenings.

A number of our parishioners are involved in Habitat for Humanity, contributing in various ways to the building of homes for Logan County families in need. Some of our members have become "Studs" by contributing financially at various levels. We have "Supporting Studs," "Load-Bearing Studs," and "Super Studs." We also participate in the monthly Culver's fundraiser for Habitat.

We have a seasonal (and sometimes more often) rummage sale in our "Bargain Basement," where we sell gently used clothing and other items to raise money for local charities.

In April, Father Jim Cravens announced his retirement, with his last Sunday with us being June 20. We held a going away luncheon that day after services.

Our fall programs are beginning: Sunday School has returned from summer recess and our fall youth program is starting up. Choir begins again in a few weeks.

We are participating in Together for Lincoln again this fall. This is a program where people from a number of Lincoln churches come together and work as teams to help our neighbors. Projects will include home repair, painting, cleaning, yard work, shut in visitation, and community clean up.

## **All Saints' Church, Morton**

### **Study**

Thursday morning bible study group went through the Old Testament specifically learning about the Laws. The first study program that All Saints' did for the year was *Prayer Does it Make any Difference* by Philip Yancey; the second study both Fr. Brian and Deacon Laurie led was *The Spiritual Enrichment Seminars* (Fr. Paul Feider's adaptation of *Life in the Spirit Seminars*). This particular study was well attended. And then during Lent Fr. Brian did a series of talks on Heresies, which was based on Alister McGrath's new book, *Heresy: A History of Defending the Truth*.

### **Events**

- All Saints' started the fall season with their annual Ice-cream Social on the lawn. We praise God for good weather everyone who attended enjoyed themselves.
- November 1<sup>st</sup> Bishop Beckwith visited All Saints and confirmed two our teens. We had a grand celebration for the teens and enjoyed the Bishop presence.
- December 5<sup>th</sup> We had our annual Cookie Walk. All Saints has become well known for its Christmas Cookie Walk over the years.
- December 6<sup>th</sup> All Saints invited St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Pekin to join at the theater to see *Joseph and His Technicolor Dream Coat*- after the play we all went out for pizza. 26 persons in all enjoyed themselves that night.
- December 20<sup>th</sup> All Saints put on a community service Lessons and Carols. The service opened with Scottish bag pipes, dispersed between the lessons and hymns sung by the congregation were solos sung by members of the community. It was a great time of worship and reflection. Afterwards we all gathered in the undercroft for a traditional English Tea.
- On February 16<sup>th</sup> All Saints' invited St. Paul's Pekin to join them for Shrove Tuesday dinner.
- On June 26, All Saints and St. Paul's went to a Chiefs baseball game and enjoyed hot dogs and fireworks. 15 in all enjoyed the heat and the love of the game. Unfortunately the Chiefs lost. Oh Well maybe next time.
- On July 31<sup>st</sup> All Saints' and St. Paul's went to Mackinaw Valley Vineyard to hear Bubblegum Jack. They play a variety of music from classic rock to country.

### **Work**

The congregation at all Saint's has been working hard to improve the compound this year. In the fall All Saints' worked on the basement of the rectory, and installed new overhead lights in the office. We also patched and sealed the parking lot. And we had a very productive work party that included repairs on the Plexiglas protecting a stained glass window. And then, just in time for Bishop Beckwith's visitation, the undercroft was painted. In July Narthex was painted and brightened up.

## **Christ the King Episcopal Church, Normal**

As a parish we continue to affirm, embrace, advocate and practice our **Vision** which is to become a "Community of Joyful Disciples who make Joyful Disciples of all people," as well as **Mission** which is to become a "Community of Joyful Disciples who make Joyful Disciples of all people through Stewardship, Worship, Education [Christian], Evangelism, Pastoral Care, Service [Outreach], Fellowship and our Preschool."

In this report, let me highlight a few aspects of how we are achieving our **Vision** and our **Mission**.

### **Christian Discipleship through Stewardship.**

1. For 2010, we chose as our parish theme, “It’s not about me. It is about Jesus Christ,” Gal 2:20. The sub-theme is “Knowing and Doing God’s Will.” We encouraged the entire parish to give of themselves and of their time, talent and treasure as a response to, Knowing and Doing God’s Will, in the day to day life and living.
2. We also designated the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month to be Stewardship Sunday, where through preaching and teaching of God’s Word and the witness of parish Lay Leadership and guest preachers, we remind ourselves of God calling us to, Know Him, Love Him and Serve Him, in season and out of season.
3. We wrote and shared with the entire parish a weekly Discipleship Scripture, Thought and Prayer, which we sent out to all parish members and parish friends through the internet.

### **Christian Discipleship through Worship and Evangelism.**

This year on Holy Tuesday, we hosted a parish Seder Celebration attended by fifty two [52] parish members and eight [8] parish guests.

Instead of our normal and usual Good Friday Service offered and hosted within our Sanctuary, this year we held our Good Friday Worship and witness outside our parish Sanctuary. We did this on the steps of the West side of Bloomington/Normal, Museum on Good Friday. After we offered a brief prayer, we Processed northward with the Crucifix, stopping from time to time at critical points and offered prayer by using the Stations of the Cross liturgy. We concluded our Good Friday Procession of worship and witness service at the Bloomington Center of the Arts Building.

### **Christian Discipleship through Education.**

We offer intentional Christian Education for all ages in our parish and try very hard to make disciples of our members through intentional faith development. Through this ministry, we are most gratified to see that the attendance at our Adult Sunday School class has averaged between 9 – 12 adults. This is the highest it has been in the last two years.

We financially sponsored some of our Youth and two adults to attend Youthquake early in January 2010, in an effort to encourage them to become joyful disciples of Jesus Christ.

We financially sponsored several of our children to attend our diocesan summer camp at Lake Bloomington.

We also supported and sponsored two of our members to assist in our diocesan Happening event.

We also supported, hosted and encouraged a Sunday evening Small Group effort where we studied the book of Romans. The average attendance at our Small Group intentional faith development effort was nine [9] parish members. The event was hosted in the home of one of our parish members – Rod and Dee Matthews.

Our Preschool which is run by one director, one assistant director and five teachers and teacher assistants is doing rather well. We average between 40 – 45 students throughout the school year. We also offer extended day care in the afternoons from 1 – 4 pm, for those who choose to take advantage of the same. The purpose of our Preschool is to reach out to young families with children and through basic elementary education, subversively share the gospel of Jesus Christ with the unapologetic intention of inviting them to become members of CTK parish and disciples of Jesus Christ.

### **Christian Discipleship through Outreach.**

As joyful disciples of Jesus Christ, we continue to prepare, host and serve food to the hungry and the homeless both at Jesus House, an independent Christian organization which cares for such people and Safe Harbor, which is part of the Salvation Army outreach efforts to the same group of people. We participate in such a “needy” and “appreciative” ministry; once each month, “ministering” alternatively at each respective place. On an average we feed between 60 – 75 people.

### **Christian Discipleship through Pastoral Care and Fellowship.**

From time to time, we host parish dinners, parish potlucks, a high school graduation dinner, and once “attended” our local CornBelts, minor league ball game, all in an effort to continue to build trust and friendship among each other so that as we foster “happy and parish fun times together,” we will become a “happy, healthy and holy parish.”

As part of our fellowship efforts, we host a monthly men’s fellowship prayer breakfast normally on the first Saturday of each month. About fourteen [14] men of our parish attend the same. The purpose is to encourage our men to grow in Christian faith, Christian knowledge [Worldview], Christian grace and Christian holiness. We also receive an offering which we give towards the general operating funds of our parish to accomplish our parish Vision and Mission.

As I conclude this report, please pray with us that by the Love of God, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the Power of the holy Spirit, Christ the King parish, will continue to become a community of Joyful Disciples who make Joyful Disciples of all people.

To God be all the Glory!

Joyfully submitted,  
The Rev. Dr. Desmond C. Francis, Rector

### **St. Paul’s Church, Pekin**

St. Paul’s is now in the second year of sharing clergy with All Saints’ in Morton. One part of our ongoing efforts to get to know one another in the two parishes was a Fall Cook In. (It was too cold for a cook out although the burgers were still grilled outdoors.) A number of guests from All Saints’, Morton, attended. Before the event we acquired new tables and chairs to compliment the refurbishing of the undercroft earlier this year. Several women from St. Paul’s attended the Beth Moore conference in Springfield in early November and were greatly blessed. In Advent we had Evensong on three Thursdays featuring messages by the Right Rev. Donald J. Parsons adapted from his presentations given at Diocesan Synod. They were followed by potluck suppers. Our third annual Kids’ Christmas Craft Day was a big success. Having the Angel Tree recipients join

in the fun was such a good idea. It was a lot more work, but a lot more fun. We had a total of 29 participating this year, a big jump from 11 last year. On Sunday, December 6, the feast of Saint Nicholas, Bishop Nicholas of Myra, (once more ably played by Jim Swayne) paid us a visit. He told the congregation a bit about himself, and gave the children each a gold coin made of chocolate. In January we switched Service times from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in accordance with our agreement with All Saint's, Morton. On Tuesday, February 22, Fr. Russ Smith, our SAMS Missionary, presided over our 9:00 a.m. service and brought us up to date on his and his family's missionary work in Chile. Our joint Lenten program with All Saints was well attended. We had Wednesday night soup supper, the Way of the Cross, followed by a program based on Alister McGrath's book, *Heresy: A History of Defending the Truth*. Our ECW hosted a special meeting inviting men of the parish and people from All Saints', Morton, to hear Mike Caringello, longtime retired superintendent of the Pekin primary school district give a talk on his experience growing up as a child of immigrants. St. Paul's now has a new sign to make us more visible. Our old message board could not be read from more than a few feet away. The new sign has three inch letters, and space to put up short sayings. Saint Paul's Sewing Servants continue to meet and produce prayerfully made items that have been given to people undergoing surgery or other significant health problems inside and outside of our parish. Since Deacon Laurie has been involved with All Saints' in Morton, six women have taken up the challenge to provide Children's' Church on a rotating basis. The adult Sunday School took a break during the summer and will resume in September with a study of Brother Lawrence's *Practice of the Presence of God*. The joint St. Paul's Vestry—All Saints' BAC meeting in June evaluated our shared ministry and make plans for the future. Saint Paul's again held a Summer Blast with ice cream and music in the Winkel Memorial Garden. It was attended by a number of our neighbors as well as our own folk. St. Paul's welcomed a number of All Saints' folk to a cookout in the Winkel Gardens.

## **NORTHWESTERN DEANERY**

### **St. Paul's, Carlinville**

Our parish is recruiting actively for another academic year in the Education for Ministry program, an extension lay formation program by the University of the South. This is provided for members of the community as well as our own church. On November 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> we are hosting a healing mission in our community led by the Rev Canon Gary and the Rev. Judith Dalmasso. The vestry is considering options for our life together during the interim after our rector retires on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **St. John's, Decatur**

#### **Summer-Fall 2010**

#### **The Great Commandment + The Great Commission = A Great Church**

#### **Matthew 22:37-40 & Matthew 28:19-20**

"Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

OUR GOALS: Growing deep roots in Jesus, and reaching out to those just beginning to explore what it means to have faith in Christ. In 2009 and 2010 we are seeing growth in our attendance, and our stewardship (89 people with estimates of giving in 2009 to 102 in 2010). God is blessing St. John's!

*The goal: deep roots and wide branches*

### **MEMBERSHIP to DISCIPLESHIP**

Throughout its long history, each generation has the task of sharing the Gospel of Jesus with its contemporaries, passing the torch of the faith to the young, and adapting to the challenges in the culture. St. John's is re-tooling, re-structuring, re-building, re-grouping, and re-visioning to meet the challenges ahead. Starting with our "Discernment Goals" (listed below) we are meeting the challenges for 2011 and beyond!

#### DISCERNMENT GOALS:

- Growing in love for one-another
- Growing in Discipleship
- Learning to do ministry (using our God-given gifts)
- Reaching Out

Every healthy organization must have a simple process that enables members to understand how growth occurs and how to structure for sustained growth spiritually and numerically. We are moving from a "membership parish" to a "discipleship parish." The plan for our future – deeper roots (greater spiritual lives) and wider branches (reaching out sharing the Gospel with the world).

I see encouraging signs of change and growth:

#### TO KNOW CHRIST and to MAKE HIM KNOWN:

Encouraging signs:

- ❖ We have an active group of volunteers who welcome visitors.
- ❖ A greater desire among the parish to grow deeper in their personal relationships with Christ Jesus. We are responding to the Holy Spirit.
- ❖ Lovely buildings and grounds ready to welcome new families.
- ❖ Growing in stewardship. Most of us are becoming stronger in our financial commitment to the Body of Christ. Many moving beyond tithing, toward tithing, or up to the tithe.
- ❖ More and more people interested in welcoming new families, rather than being a socially closed group. *"Let each of you look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others." (Philippians 2:4).*
- ❖ We have rich pastoral care with both clergy and lay people visiting the sick and providing for emergency needs.
- ❖ Services growing in Christ-centered worship, and numerical growth.

- ❖ 7% growth from 2009-2010.
- ❖ Increased emphasis on learning how to navigate church conflict.
- ❖ Vestry strategy and planning sessions are underway – aimed at helping us fulfill the discernment goals.
- ❖ Measurable goals being developed by the Vestry and key leaders.
- ❖ More people than ever involved in various parish ministries.

**We will need to focus on the following in 2011:**

- ❖ Active invitations going out to friends and neighbors. We will need to be more intentional and persistent with targeted invitations.
- ❖ Increased prayer for those *God will bring* to St. John's in the coming year
- ❖ More opportunities for each of us to look “outward rather than inward.”
- ❖ Constant attention to how we love in relationships, and to quell rumors, gossip, and negativity. Remember, outsiders are watching us to see if we are walking in love, and if our faith is authentic.
- ❖ Leadership equipped to lead people to Christ and to multiply ministry.
- ❖ New ministries depending less and less on leadership from the rector, but instead growing into the maturity of “self-motivated teams of disciples.”
- ❖ Discipleship oriented. Members covenant to walk with Christ together, growing closer each year to the Savior.
- ❖ More desire to love the hurting, lonely, and lost people of all ages.
- ❖ Willingness to experiment with new things without grumbling or complaining, even if we sometimes fail. (very difficult for us!)
- ❖ Willingness to embrace changes without complaining. It has been said that the seven last words of a dying church are: “*We never did it that way before.*” *Thus, we need to stop looking in the rear-view mirror!*
- ❖ Small groups dedicated to welcoming outsiders.
- ❖ All-parish growth campaigns to reach the un-churched.
- ❖ More people must find their ministries and delight in servant leadership not simply serving because “someone has to do this ....”
- ❖ Budgeting by faith and vision, staffing for growth. Growing churches “*staff for the future,*” often, staffing before the position pays for itself.
- ❖ Connecting newcomers to groups and ministries more quickly.
- ❖ Grow larger by growing smaller (development of effective small groups that facilitate spiritual growth).
- ❖ Caring more about those in the area not connected to Christ.

Long range, our mindset must become 100% Kingdom oriented. **We are not looking for new members alone (that would be self-serving), but for those God is leading among us to find Christ (serving others), and then join the family of those who follow Christ.** Some will come already believing and “well-disciplined,” but many will come with no faith at all. Our goal must be to “**Know Christ, and to make Him known.**” This will require an “outside-in” approach, rather than an “inside-out” process. By that, I mean that normally we look at the “customer” of our church to be “us, - then, occasionally we market our product (our fellowship) to those outside the four walls of the church. This year, let’s look at the needs of those *not yet among us* and welcome those from the outside in. That will mean learning the perceived needs

of those in our sphere of influence, and *servicing those not yet a part of any church – letting Jesus do His work.* Too often in the past, the mindset has been **“the ministers shall minister, and the congregation shall congregate.”** This has led to laity who lack the motivation to become all they were created to be, and who have little expectation of God using them in ministries. We are growing, and it will require that the “whole church, take the whole Gospel, to the whole world.”

*<sup>37</sup>Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup>Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”*  
*Matthew 9:37-38*

I thank God for St. John’s. I am excited about the future. But we all know it won’t be easy. Many obstacles are in our path, and we have an enemy. But if we are faithful and steadfast, our best days are coming!

My prayer is that we can love each other deeply as we prayerfully embrace change, being solid in our commitment to never give up, give in, or give over to the past, the enemy, or the culture. May people who walk into St. John’s see our love as like that of Jesus, Himself, and be drawn to His presence in and among us.

Fr. Charles J. Reischman, Rector

*“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.”* Acts 2:42-48

### **Christ Church, Springfield**

Christ Church continues to grow, as three new families have joined since the Fall of 2009. Additionally, Fr. Tournoux performed two wedding ceremonies and one baptism in 2009. We continue to offer two Holy Eucharist, Rite II worship services every Sunday (at 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 p.m.) with child care provided during both services, and a Holy Eucharist with Healing service at 12:15 p.m. every Wednesday. On the last Sunday of every month we provide a Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist I service at 10:15 a.m.

In our continued goal to build-up a team of acolytes who are well-trained and enjoy serving Jesus Christ and His church, a fourth series of acolyte ministry training will be conducted this Fall to serve as a refresher course for existing acolytes, and as an instructional course for new acolytes. Additionally, the Prayer Group continues to meet every Monday morning at the home of one of our parishioners. Further discipleship, equipping, and various other ministries this past year include:

- Contact Ministry – team invites guests to visit our Welcome Center after service for refreshments and a gift. A follow-up visit to any local guests is made within 36 hours, to bring them a loaf of fresh-baked bread;
- Discipleship/Mentoring Group – two groups meet weekly. Currently Fr. Tournoux is teaching “*How to Live the Christian Life – Experience Kingdom Living – How to Overcome the World*”;
- Lay Eucharistic Visitors Cell – (9 members) – met in October for continued training. Cell members take Home Communion to our shut-ins on a regular basis;
- Rector’s Forum – weekly teachings on “*The Daily Prayer Guide*”;
- Rector’s Reflections – current series in the *Tidings Newsletter* teaching on the evangelization of Postmoderns through holistic cell groups;
- Sunday School – concluded this season on Youth Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. As such, our youth participated by providing the sermon, reading lessons, helping to greet and usher, sharing some thoughts, and providing special music at the 10:15 a.m. worship service. On average, there were 20 youth who attended Sunday School classes this past season;
- Sunday School Cell Group Facilitator’s Leadership Community Training – (7 participants) – bi-monthly meetings involving vision, huddle, and on-going skill training;
- Transformation Group – (core visionary team of 14 participants) – meets monthly, and remains in the process of learning and being equipped to be the type of leaders to re-develop and renew our Church. Participants are currently studying the Biblical principles for building the Kingdom of God; and
- Vestry – meets monthly with each meeting consisting of the Upward, Inward, Outward, and Outward (U.I.O.F.) values of cell life.

Last year, our youngest Sunday school cell adopted a six-year-old girl from Tanzania through “*Compassion Ministries*.” This ministry helps impoverished children around the world. The youth cell has been sending prayers, monetary support, letters and pictures to this child on a regular basis. Other events this past year include: Trick-or-Treating for *UNICEF*; collecting donations for the *Inner City Mission* where the youth were able to serve the residents a special dinner accompanied by an assortment of cookies and other baked goods for dessert; and the Annual Easter Egg Hunt. On Youth Sunday, our youth provided the sermon, read lessons, helped usher, shared some of their thoughts, and provided special music at our 10:15 a.m. worship service. Furthermore, the Sunday school facilitators were taken out to dinner this past summer to show appreciation for their involvement in the lives of our youth.

In an effort to keep our shut-ins connected to the church, the Parish Office mails them a weekly newsletter which provides the readings, hymns, special announcements, and Fr. Tournoux’s corresponding Sunday sermon. The ECW Guilds also deliver fresh-baked cookies and other treats during the holidays.

Other outreach projects this past year include collecting donations for Breadline Sunday, M.E.R.C.Y. Communities, United Thank Offering, and Crop Walk.

### **St. Luke’s, Springfield**

We have had an exciting summer at St. Luke's. 12 campers from St. Luke's attended the 2010 Episcopal Church Camp at Lake Bloomington. The Church was again able to supply all fees and costs of transportation for the campers. Friends from Christ the King, Normal, provided lunch for

the trip home.

Our annual Vacation Bible School, held July 19-24, was attended by 72 different children, 38 of whom had not previously been involved in our Church programs. We had a tremendous group of adult volunteers to help with teaching and crafts, and some extra volunteers to help with our field trip to Knight's Action Park. Volunteers from Episcopal Food Ministries served over 500 meals in the course of the week, including a special dinner following the Saturday Eucharist to which all parents were invited.

54 children were part of the field trip, for which we rented two school busses. The young people had a marvelous time.

Church School will begin again in September, with the expectation that a number of new pupils will be incorporated from among our VBS participants. Our Sunday meal program has continued throughout the summer, and will be a part of our program in the fall.

It is hard to list all of the joys that come out of this ministry, but often the young people can encapsulate best what we are about. One girl put the following on her VBS poster -- "My church is a place where anyone is welcome - and a place to help people."

St. Luke's is truly a place that welcomes everyone -- not just with a sign that says that, but with actions that show the all-consuming and transforming love of Christ. The way that Christ is known, followed and shared is the secret, if there is one, to the God-given increases that we have seen.

Plans are underway to re-roof the Church. A contract has been signed and we are awaiting a date for the work to begin from the contractor. The total cost is being borne by the congregation.

Arrangements have also been made for the demolition of the house behind the Church as a first step for preparing the site for new construction.

Pledge and other income are continuing at a pace in excess of budget projections, making possible improvements both in program and facilities.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Ven. Shawn W. Denney, Vicar

No further reports from individual churches in the deanery have been received to date.

At the end of this synod I will no longer be the Dean of the Northwestern Deanery due to my retirement on January 1, 2011.

Yours in Christ,  
The Very Reverend John C. Bettmann, Dean

## **REPORTS – DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE**

### **DEPARTMENT OF STEWARDSHIP**

Membership: Rod Matthews, Randy Winn, Stephen Pearson, Robert Brodie, and Brian Kellington

The Department of Stewardship met two times this year and also conducted business via email.

The Department of Stewardship has also been looking at stewardship articles in parish newsletters for possible republication in the Current and some have been published

The Department of Stewardship presented the following resolution to the Diocesan Council on August 23, and it received their endorsement.

In the discussion we wrestled with the fact that “faith without works is dead” according to James. We want to challenge people to express their living faith through their concrete actions.

#### **The Department of Stewardship moves the following resolution which is endorsed by Diocesan Council:**

WHEREAS, God calls us in Scripture to recognize that all we are and all we have has come from a gracious giver of all things; and

WHEREAS, we are not our own but “were bought with a price” (1 Corinthians 6:20); and

WHEREAS, a steward is a manager of property that belongs to another; and

WHEREAS, Holy Scripture and numerous resolutions passed by General Convention commend the principle of returning a tenth of one’s income (tithing) to God through His church as a part of being responsible stewards of God’s property entrusted to us; and

WHEREAS, God promises to “throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it” for those who “test [Him] in this.” —  
Malachi 3:10

WHEREAS, the 131<sup>st</sup> Synod and the 132<sup>nd</sup> Synod of the Diocese of Springfield passed similar resolutions commending the biblical tithe as an important and vital element of being faithful Christians.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the 133<sup>rd</sup> Synod of the Diocese of Springfield hereby commends the Biblical standard of the tithe to all members of the diocese as a vital element of being faithful Christians.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 133<sup>rd</sup> Synod encourages all members of the diocese who have not yet adopted the tithe as part of their personal financial commitment to God to move toward the tithe with all deliberate speed by giving to God a larger

percentage of their income in each of the next two years with the firm purpose of achieving the tithe by A.D. 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 133<sup>rd</sup> Synod expectantly trusts God to pour out his blessings upon His faithful people in the Diocese of Springfield as they put God to the test in the matter of the tithe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 133<sup>rd</sup> Synod challenges all clergy, vestries, and bishop's committees to adopt a similar resolution in each congregation.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Rev. Brian Kellington, Chair

### **DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL MISSION STRATEGY**

The Department of General Mission Strategy is in the process of planning for the 2011 Diocesan Mission Conference. The department met on August 27 to begin the planning process and to develop a theme. Information on date, location and theme will be forthcoming soon.

The department also discussed setting up micro-incentive grants for churches to undertake creative opportunities to implement local strategies for growth. Guidelines and information will be sent to churches in December.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Rev. Dr. Keith R. Roderick, Chair

### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION**

The Communications Committee has three main updates.

1. The communications chair assisted Fr. Holder in developing a media contact list and editing a press release regarding the Nominating Synod. Fr. Holder should be commended for posting vital information about the election process on the Diocese's Website. The present and upcoming versions of the Current also will heavily emphasize news surrounding the election process.
2. Betsy Schroeder, editor of the Current, also now has a license to administer the Website. She was responsible for posting live ballot results during the Nominating Synod, allowing anyone with access to the Internet to follow the process as it unfolded. She also has been making slight adjustments to the Website as requests come to us. We are hoping to take some of the Web updating burden off of Fr. Holder's shoulders while he focuses on his Standing Committee duties.
3. Meanwhile, most of our energy has been spent thinking about the Current's future.

The Communications Committee released a survey during the summer to the Current's readers. Participants were encouraged to either fill out and mail a survey printed on the last page of the June issue or fill out the same survey online. Surveys results were taken up through August.

Survey questions focused on three main issues: look, style & frequency of the Current; the

content of the current; and delivery system of the Current (mail, email, Web).

Roughly 2,200 copies of the Current are printed 10 times a year, including multiple copies sent to congregations. It is somewhat disappointing, but not entirely unexpected, that survey returns were very low. We received a total of 8 surveys in the mail while 19 people filled out surveys online. This might suggest that there is generally not a great deal of enthusiasm or interest in the Current, or, at the very least, apathy toward it.

On the other hand, submissions came from all corners of the diocese, suggesting that it maintains a wide reach and has the capability of touching people throughout the diocesan community. Current readers from Champaign to Edwardsville, from larger cities such as Springfield to smaller ones such as Mt. Vernon and Moro, filled out surveys.

For present purposes, it's interesting to note that a large majority support or highly support a redesigned Current that perhaps could be printed on a bi-monthly or even quarterly basis. As one might suspect, Internet survey participants favored an e-mail or Web version of the Current, while print respondents favored a print version.

We conclude that some print version is still desirable, though perhaps we can experiment with a reduced circulation and print schedule. Meanwhile, there also is interest in providing more information online among some in the diocese.

We also believe it is important to consult the new Bishop and the council before moving forward with any changes. The goal would be to consult with him and others so that we can have a revitalized Current by 2011.

What follows is a brief summary of the survey highlights. Please feel free to request a copy of the full results, which I'd be more than happy to share with you. Otherwise, please continue to suggest any ideas regarding the Current and the Website.

Questions*	Internet Survey	Print Survey	Total
Would you support a redesigned Current that published less often but had an updated, magazine-style look with special interest articles and local as well as diocesan news?			
Highly support	36.80%	62.50%	44%
Support	42.10%	0	29.60%
Doesn't matter	10.50%	25%	14.80%
Wouldn't support	10.50%	0	7.40%
Strongly oppose	0	12.50%	3.70%

Questions*	Internet Survey	Print Survey	Total
If so, which publication schedule would you prefer:			
Present schedule (10 issues a year)	27.80%	12.50%	23%
Bi-monthly	27.80%	50%	34.60%
Quarterly	44.40%	37.50%	42.30%
Other (please specify)	0	0	0
How would you prefer to receive The Springfield Current:			
Mail	47.40%	78%	57.10%
Email	57.90%	11%	42.90%
Web	15.80%	0	11%
Other (please specify)--Church		11%	3.60%
Age range of respondents			
Under 18	0	0	0
18-29	0	0	0
30-49	15.80%	0	11.50%
50-69	73.70%	25%	57.70%
70 and over	10.50%	75%	30.70%
*Some results will add to more than 100%, since some categories allowed for multiple answers.			

Respectfully submitted,  
Mr. Pete Sherman, Chair

## **REPORTS – DIVISION OF MISSION AND WORSHIP**

### **DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY**

The Diocese of Springfield continues to be a sponsoring diocese for the EFM program, which means that students receive a reduced tuition rate for participation in the program. EFM, an extension program of the School of Theology of the University of the South, provides a superb education equipping its students for meaningful lay ministry in the church and the world. The entire program requires four years of study, the first devoted to Old Testament, the second to the New Testament, the third to ecclesiastical history, and the fourth to theology. Commitment is for only one year at a time. Textbooks are supplied and there is a seminar each week, which features a unique theological reflection process created to help students integrate their learning into life. Each group is led by a university trained mentor. At present there are two active groups in our diocese, with one in the Northwest Deanery and one in the Hale Deanery. I am available to assist any church in forming a new group at any time. Please contact me for information or to set up a simulated group for recruitment purposes.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Very Rev. John C. Bettmann, Diocesan EFM Coordinator

## **DEPARTMENT OF EVANGELISM AND SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT**

From the length, breath, height and depth of Church growth and Parish revitalization literature and practice, it has been determined and proved that when a parish intentionally implements the following seven strategies for their parish life and witness together, they become “Happy, Healthy and Holy Parishes.” These seven strategies are:

Passionate Worship.

Radical Hospitality.

Intentional Faith Development.

Generous Stewardship.

Risk Taking Mission and Evangelism.

Clear Communication of a Parish’s Vision and Mission at all levels of parish life.

And, Unceasing prayer.

Because the above proposition is factual, and vital to our parishes and missions viability; this past year, **your** department of **Evangelism and Spiritual Enrichment**, disseminated and shared the above truths with our diocesan family by writing three articles on the same and publishing them in our diocesan monthly newspaper, **Springfield Current**. These are:

Four Keys to a Parish Becoming a Successful Parish.

Seven Strategies for Parishes and Missions to Come Alive, Part 1 & 2.

As we look into the future, it is our hope and prayer as a department that because the word “**go**,” which is the heart and soul of evangelism and is half [1/2] of the word, “good,” two thirds [2/3] of the word, “gospel” and a third [1/3] of the word, “God,” **Evangelism and Spiritual Enrichment, will continue to be central** to who we are [our **identity**] and what we do [our **functions**] as a diocese, and as parishes and missions.

To God alone be all the glory!

Joyfully submitted,

The Rev. Dr. Desmond C. Francis, Chair

## **PRAYER FELLOWSHIP**

**Your** department of **Prayer Fellowship** continues to affirm, embrace, advocate and practice that “Christian prayer is not just a great work of the Church; but that Christian prayer is the greatest work of the Church.” So, this past year as a department we accomplished the following:

1. We initiated, hosted and led a workshop on an aspect of Christian Prayer, **Knowing and Doing the Will of God**, on Saturday the **14<sup>th</sup> of March, 2010**, at our diocesan center from 9.30 am – 3 pm, as a part of our annual diocesan **Pausing for Prayer** event. During the workshop we focused on three aspects of **Knowing and Doing the Will of God**. These are: Knowing God, Knowing God’s Will and Doing God’s Will. Twenty nine members of our diocesan family attended the workshop. We concluded our Pausing for Prayer day with Holy Eucharist which was celebrated by our Archdeacon, The Ven. Shawn Denney, who also preached the sermon for the Eucharistic service.

2. We wrote a article entitled, **Spice Up Your Prayer Life**, which we published in our monthly diocesan newspaper the **Springfield Current**.
3. As part of our diocesan Northern Deanery spiritual activities, we initiated, hosted and led a workshop on Prayer, **The challenge and the Opportunities of Unanswered Prayer**, at Christ the King Episcopal Church, Normal, Illinois, in the month of January 2010.
4. We continually prayed and unceasingly encouraged our diocesan family especially through our Diocesan Council meetings to pray unceasingly for both our Standing Committee and our Election Committee as they continue to give leadership in shepherding our diocesan process to elect our next diocesan Bishop.

We give God all the glory for all that was achieved this year. As **your** Prayer Fellowship department, we request and pray that **“Prayer would continue to be the greatest work we do as a diocese.”**

Joyfully submitted,  
The Rev. Dr. Desmond C. Francis, Chair

## ARMED FORCES COMMISSION

Military service frequently calls young men and women away from the support of family, friends and faith communities. Sacrificing many of the freedoms Americans take for granted, they serve in the most demanding of conditions, in the farthest reaches of the world, at hazard to their own safety. Your parishes can tangibly support our troops by adopting deployed units – perhaps men and women from your own communities. Beginning with contacting their unit command or base Chapel, you can encourage them with your prayers for safety, words of thanks, and special care packages.

Whether serving men and women in the military or Veterans Administration, Chaplains are insiders to the military by virtue of presence while outsiders by virtue of calling. As insiders, chaplains go everywhere their troops are called—be it on base, in a combat zone, or on the sea. As outsiders, chaplains focus not on operations but on the moral, spiritual and emotional well-being of the service men and women under their care.

Today, the Armed Forces Commission wishes to extend our prayers and thankfulness to all of our Diocesan Family members who serve in our Armed Services. We especially honor those serving our Nation who are even now in harm’s way around the world, and to their families who await their safe return. We also pay special tribute to the members of this Diocese who have answered the ‘call’ to service to what is currently a critical shortage of Chaplains:

- The Rev. James O. Cravens – Captain, Chaplain Corps, United States Navy (reserve): Volunteer Training Unit, Peoria.
- The Rev. Benjamin H. Hunter: Department of Veterans Affairs, Moline.
- The Rev. Dr. Daniel N. Karanja – Chaplain, Major, United States Air Force (active): Air Force Chaplaincy Center, Fort Jackson, South Carolina

- The Rev. Frank P. Munoz – Lieutenant, Chaplain Corps, United States Navy (active): 3<sup>rd</sup> Marine Air Wing, Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, San Diego, California
- The Rev. J. Victor Sheldon, III – Commander, Chaplain Corps, United States Navy (active): Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Landstuhl, Germany
- The Rev. Mark S. Winward – Lieutenant Commander, Chaplain Corps, United States Navy (active): Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Virginia

Lastly, thanks to all who have served in this Nation’s Armed Services. Your hard work and dedication to this Country will never be forgotten!

Collect for the Armed Forces

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day-by-day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Rev. Mark S. Winward

## CURSILLO

Our June 2010 Cursillo Weekend was a wonderful experience with much enthusiasm and twenty fine candidates. Our diocesan movement is back on track and going full steam. Cursillo is the most gentle and accessible of the several renewal movements in the church. At present our next weekend is scheduled for Toddhall Retreat Center for April 12th through 15th, 2012. If we can find a different venue, we will hold one in 2011 as well. The Episcopal Diocese of Springfield Cursillo movement hopes that all clergy and lay leaders of the diocese will encourage individuals to participate in a Cursillo Weekend. We also ask that recruitment for our next weekend take place much sooner than in past years. Sensible stewardship of our resources requires us to get our minimum number of candidates well before the date after which we would lose money in canceling. Our movement exists only to strengthen local churches and to raise up committed and equipped Christian leaders. Cursillo is a part of the bishop’s office, and we are not in any sense a rival religious institution. The secretariat also encourages all Cursillistas to strengthen their connection to the movement through participation in Ultreyas and group reunions so that future candidates can benefit from their faith and experience and so that they themselves will be encouraged to continue growing in their faith and practice.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Very Rev. John C. Bettmann, Spiritual Director

## DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS

As I’ve stated previously, “**Christian Social Concerns**” is a big area, covering an immensely large range of issues and concerns, and we welcome your input. If you have any ideas or topics that you’d like to see covered in future articles, please contact me. The current chair has provided articles in the Springfield Current on a variety of topics for your review and reflection including the following:

- Haiti and Beyond
- Reflections on Pandemics
- Postmodern Apologetics and the Episcopal Church (in 3 parts).

*Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart [and especially the hearts of the people of this land], that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### **Ministry to the Incarcerated**

This year there has been an effort to expand Kairos Prison Ministry in the State of Illinois. Kairos has been active in the past at Lincoln Correctional and at Taylorville. Currently the ministry serves Statesville Correctional in Joliet and the women of Dwight Correctional. There is also a Kairos Outside ministering to the adult female loved ones of the incarcerated in Illinois.

Menard Correctional is a Maximum Security Prison that has had no major programming in twenty years due to the brutal attack upon a female volunteer there at that time. The administration has invited Kairos to come in after learning about the success of this Ministry from the new Director, Michael Randall.

Three Diocesan members are part of the first team for the inaugural weekend to begin this Christian presence at Menard in September, 2010. They are Frs. Tim Goodman and Dick Swan of the Hale Deanery, and Gerry Smith of Christ the King, Normal. The team members collect prayerfully home baked cookies and posters from Sunday school classes to take into the prison in September, as well as monetary support for this ministry.

While the normal recidivism rate in the U.S. for those released from prison is over 65%, the thirty year experience of Kairos is that Kairos Graduates have about a 15% recidivism rate. Kairos works. Please contact Frs. Goodman and Swan, or Mr. Gerry Smith with any questions about this dynamic ministry that will go into Menard every six months.

*Lord Jesus, for our sake you were condemned as a criminal: visit our jails and prisons with your pity and judgment. Remember all prisoners, and bring the guilty to repentance and amendment of life according to you will, and give them hope for their future. When any are held unjustly, bring them release; forgive us, and teach us to improve our justice. Remember those who work in these institutions; keep them humane and compassionate; and save them from becoming brutal or callous. And since what we do for those in prison, O Lord, we do for you, constrain us to improve their lot. All this we ask for your mercy's sake. Amen.*

**Anti Racism Commission** (Respectfully submitted by The Rev. Christine Hopkins, Chair)  
*In Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise. Gal. 3:26-29*

Anti-racism workshops are available for use at the parish or deanery level following the ECUSA program, "Seeing the Face of God in Each Other". These workshops generally last a half-day, though they can be tailored to meet a parish or deanery's needs. Using a variety of exercises participants engage each other in discussion of what racism is and how it affects everyone regardless of skin color.

The diocese is continuing in its commitment to the ecumenical anti-racism task force sponsored by the Illinois Conference of Churches. This group meets on a quarterly basis to work towards eliminating racism.

In the past year there have been no workshops held. The chair of the commission has consulted with two communities facing racism issues.

Contact the chair if you would like to schedule a workshop in your area, or if you feel God is calling you to ministry in this field.

### **Chemical Dependency Commission**

There have been no cases referred to the commission in the past year; the members of the commission are available to consult with congregations in the diocese addressing problems related to substance abuse by laity and members of the clergy. Please pray for those who are struggling with addictions:

*O blessed Lord, you ministered to all who came to you. Look with compassion upon all who through addiction have lost their health and freedom. Restore to them the assurance of your unfailing mercy; remove from them the fears that beset them; strengthen them in the work of their recovery; and to those who care for them, give patient understanding and persevering love. Amen.*

Respectfully submitted,  
The Rev. Sheryl L. Black, Chair

### **DEPARTMENT OF YOUNG ADULT AND HIGHER EDUCATION MINISTRIES**

The Department provided funding toward the expenses of two college programs. During the 09-10 academic year, the Department financially assisted the Province V Higher Education conference. For the current academic year, the Department authorized funding to assist in the transportation and other expenses of students and clergy from the Diocese to attend the National Gathering of Episcopal college students which is held in Estes Park, Colorado during the week between Christmas and New Year's. The Chapel of St. John the Divine, Champaign has a history of involvement in this conference that stretches back almost thirty years, with students from the Chapel having been on the Planning Committee for the Conference for virtually every year that that the Conference has been held.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mr. Kevin Babb, Chair

## **DEPARTMENT OF ECUMENICAL RELATIONS**

The Committee did not meet this year.

Respectfully submitted  
The Rev. Canon Eugene A. Stormer, Chair

## **DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH WORK**

The Department of Youth Work continues to provide ministry programs that individual parishes can use in developing successful programs for their youth. The primary programs are Happening, New Beginnings, Work Week, and Camp. Reports for these programs are found following this report.

We have been successful in helping churches turn their programs into vibrant youth ministry programs. But, we continue to work toward increasing involvement of more of our Diocesan parishes. We attempt to have an adult and two teens from each deanery to help develop the programs and to pass the word.

Youth Department activities, besides those listed above, included the 4<sup>th</sup> annual YouthQuake Fundraiser Golf Tournament held on October, 2009. The YouthQuake in January, and the Agape Festival in early May.

YouthQuake continued to be a highlight for the year. We filled a bus this year. The bus left from Springfield, and stopped in Belleville on our way to our destination, Ridgecrest, NC. The YouthQuake was sponsored by Acts 29 Ministries. Over 500 teens and tweens from around the nation gathered for the three days of great talks, worship, praise, and lots of fun!

The Agape Festival in May was held at the fairgrounds in Greenville, IL. The event was hosted by Greenville College. We camped on the festival grounds and listened to contemporary Christian music for two days, played by several Christian bands. It was a wonderful event as we listened to the music and the sharing the band members' faiths.

The annual YouthQuake Fundraiser Golf Tournament was held at The Rail near Springfield, IL. This year contained a smaller field of teams. But, the golf course was fun and challenging and the food was great. Plus, most importantly, we raised money toward renting the buses for the trip to YouthQuake.

We plan for the coming year to continue with all the events we normally do, including Happening, New Beginnings, Camp, Work Week, Winter Ball, and Agape Festival, and, of course, the BIG event will be the trip to YouthQuake at Ridgecrest, NC.

Thanks to all of the parishes and individuals who give of their time and money to make our youth ministry go.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mr. Joe Hooten, Chair

## YOUTH WORK WEEK

The Diocesan Youth Department Work Week participants met the week of Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010 to work for their God. The work this year ended up at two locations doing very different work.

The Work Week Design Team decided to consider working at two different locations, doing very different work. The Team decided to scrape and paint a youth community center in Sparta, IL on Monday and Tuesday. Then the Team went to East St. Louis to help the 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church of Fairview Heights to clear the lots around a youth day care facility. The work consisted of disposing of mounds of trash, cutting up and shredding weeds that had grown into trees, and clearing sidewalks and gutters that were overgrown with grass and weeds.

The Team of workers consisted of teenagers from around the Diocese. The participants included Sierra Gore from Belleville; Abby Yeley from Sherman; Mitch Maves from O'Fallon; Susan Reese from New Athens; Karly Evans, Shannon Kinsey, and Maggie Evans from Glen Carbon, Joe Hooten from Swansea, and Linda Jacob from Tilden.

The week was blessed with the super support from member parishes in the Diocese of Springfield. The Team lived and played at the ToddHall Retreat and Conference Center in Columbia, owned and operated by St. Georges. St. Michael's hosted a picnic supper at ToddHall on Monday night. This picnic at the "home base" is always a blessing, since we never know what that first day might bring. And, not having to travel to a church makes the first day easier. St. George's also hosted a great meal for us. The Team was also blessed with a pool party, hosted by Bob and Sue Vaughn. On Thursday night we feasted on left-overs. Then, on Friday we relaxed at 6-Flags.

The Team, as usual produced outstanding work and was a super example of Christian youth at work. The Team was small, with only seven participants. But they did a super job. The week was truly a week of faith, since we were totally dependent on others to provide work for us to do. And, as usual, God provided.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mr. Joe Hooten, Coordinator

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH CAMP OF ILLINOIS

No report submitted.

## HAPPENING

The Happening program is a ministry sponsored by the Youth Department of the Diocese of Springfield. It is aimed at reaching high school age youth and their leaders with the goal being to help them in their spiritual journey and to strengthen their personal relationship with Christ. The Happening Steering Committee is made up of both youth and adults with Spiritual Director Fr. Gene Tucker. Our job is to oversee the planning and execution of the Happening weekends. We hold two Happening weekends each year. One is held in the fall and takes place in the northern part of the diocese. The other one is held in the spring and takes place in the southern part of the diocese. Our hope is to make it accessible to everyone in the diocese.

Happening #51 was scheduled to be held at St. John's in Decatur during the month of November. Once again due to a lack of candidates the fall Happening was cancelled. Happening #51 was then held at St. George's in Belleville with Elliot Meyer as the rector. Happening # 52 is scheduled to take place from November 5-7 at St. John's in Decatur. We are able to accommodate up to 20 candidates at each Happening and would be very excited to have all the churches in the diocese take part in the program.

Happening is an experience that helps teens develop a stronger personal relationship with Christ and often leads them to becoming more active members of their home parishes. Our hope is that every church in the diocese will encourage their youth to participate in all of the diocesan programs with the goal being teens who become more active participants in their home parishes as well as in the diocese now and as they become adults. It is very important to keep our youth involved if we are to continue to have a growing church community. The youth are the church of today and their involvement is a vital part of the diocese now as well as in the future.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Dana Meyer, Happening Coordinator

## NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings held a very successful February retreat weekend at Camp Epworth in Louisville, IL. The weekend was ably led by youth leaders, Ashlie Antrim, Mitch Maves, and Sierra Gore. Sierra completes her service in the ranks of NB youth leaders as she starts college this fall. We look forward to when she will be able to follow 2 other NB alumni and make the complete circuit from 7<sup>th</sup> grade New Beginner to Adult Leader!

For the summer weekend, we attempted to move the weekend away from the hectic late August format held in 2008 and 2009. Even in mid July 2010, we competed with family vacations, camps and other summer distractions to recruit and train sufficient youth leaders, and invite enough New Beginners to proceed with the weekend. Unfortunately, participant registrations were not sufficient to continue, so we cancelled the weekend. The NB Steering committee will evaluate adjusting the schedule back to a late fall, early spring cycle. In the meanwhile, the February 2011 weekend is set.

We find that fees at local camps continue to increase, and outpace the modest changes we've made to our registration fees. Increases have been most notable in the last 3 years. The ministry will need to find solutions to these increased costs that will still make the weekend affordable to most families. Through the generosity of the good people of this diocese, we've never turned anyone away from a weekend due to shortage of funds.

### Goals for program year 2009-2010

- 1. Explore opportunities to share New Beginnings with our neighbors.** We've responded to email inquiries with offers of assistance and information. We will continue to look for these opportunities to jump-start another program.
- 2. Replace some of our NB equipment.** We were able to make economical improvements to our gear, and have no immediate, pressing needs.
- 3. Continue to build excitement for servant ministry among our youth and adult leaders.** We are blessed with motivated ministry "owners" in both youth and adult leadership echelons.

Although we have been hugely blessed by service in this ministry, Sue and I conclude it is time for new coordinators to guide this important ministry. We will be praying for, and seeking our successors.

Goals for program year 2010-2011

- 1. Explore opportunities to share New Beginnings with our neighbors.**
- 2. Find resources to balance increasing camp fees which threaten a family's ability to send a child to NB.**
- 3. Identify, train and support new Coordinators.**

Upcoming Schedule:

Winter Retreat Weekend	Epworth Camp	Feb 18-20, 11
Fall Retreat Weekend	TBA	TBA

In His service,  
Bob and Sue Vaughn, Coordinators

**DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL AND WORLD MISSION**

No report submitted.

**REPORT OF THE SECRETARY**

The Diocesan Council met four times since Synod, 2009, on the following dates: November 20, 2009, February 26, 2010, May 22, 2010, and August 27, 2010. A Quorum for the conduct of business was present for each meeting. The minutes of each Council meeting were recorded and prepared by the Very Rev. Gene R. Tucker, Secretary of the Diocese, and a complete set of said minutes for each meeting is maintained on permanent file at the Diocesan Center. These minutes are available for perusal upon application to the Diocese.

Each Council meeting began with worship. The Holy Eucharist was celebrated in the Cathedral Church of St. Paul for the November and the February meetings. For the May and August meetings, the Eucharist was celebrated in the Diocesan Center. The Rt. Rev. Peter H. Beckwith, 10<sup>th</sup> Bishop of Springfield, served as Celebrant for the November Eucharist, and following his retirement on February 1, 2010, the Very Rev. Dr. Anthony B. Holder, President of the Standing Committee, undertook the role of Celebrant. Bishop Beckwith presided over the November meeting, and Fr. Holder presided over the February, May and August meetings.

**Meeting of November 20, 2009**

Actions taken during this meeting include:

Bishop Beckwith welcomed those new members of Council who had been elected or appointed since Synod, 2009. The Bishop also asked members for suggestions of persons who might fill vacant positions on Council.

A Rota was circulated which invited Council members to take various leadership rolls during Council worship in February, May, August and November, serving as Preacher, Deacon of the Mass, and Lector/Server.

The Treasurer of the Diocese, Mr. James Donkin, presented an overview of the report of the firm Cowan, Epperson and Associates for new members of the Council. Mr. Donkin presented a “gloomy, but realistic picture” of the Diocese’s finances. Investment income is lagging behind previous years, he noted, even though other income is about the same. Though balance sheets in previous years have ended with surpluses, it looks as though a new trend is emerging in which deficits are being experienced at the end of the year.

Mr. Bruce Bonds, Chair of the Trustees, reported that diocesan endowment funds stood at \$2,000,029.00 having risen in value from c. \$1,800,000.00 the previous March. The Diocese’s investment advisor is retiring, he reported, which will necessitate finding a replacement. Prospective individuals will be interviewed on December 14, 2009.

Mr. Pete Sherman, Chair of the Department of Communications, reported that the reworked diocesan website continues to be the subject of some more “brainstorming” to improve its functions.

Mr. Kevin Babb, newly appointed Chair of the Department of Young Adult and Higher Education, traced his own movement into The Episcopal Church while he was in college, saying that his own experience has fueled his desire to strengthen ministries to persons who are in similar positions in their lives now.

The Bishop noted with concern that the November “Happening” weekend was cancelled, due to a lack of candidates. He said he hoped that the Deans would assist in addressing this situation, so it wouldn’t be repeated in the future.

The Bishop report that he had been invited to attend the Diocesan Synod in the Diocese of Recife, Brazil, in December, but that shortness of the timeframe involved made it impossible for him to accept the invitation.

The Rev. Canon Eugene Stormer, Chair of the Commission on Ministry, reported that a meeting of the Commission had recently taken place, during which two persons were interviewed. Mother Sherry Black has been appointed to the Commission to fill the remainder of Fr. Maurice Lee’s term, he said.

Ms. Chris DeWitt reported that plans for the Episcopal Church Women’s retreat are moving forward, with a group of excellent leaders having been recruited. Reservations are already being received for the retreat, she reported.

The Very Rev. Dr. Anthony B. Holder reported that members of the Standing Committee would choose members of the Electing Committee sometime soon. The membership of the Electing Committee will be announced on November 29, 2009, he said.

During the Deanery Reports, Fr. Brian Kellington, Dean of the Northern Deanery, reported that St. Paul’s, Pekin was planning an Evensong service with Bishop Donald J. Parsons as Officiant. Fr. Timothy Hallett, Dean of the Northeastern Deanery, reported that a service of Lessons and Carols is scheduled for the Third Sunday of Advent at the Chapel of St. John the Divine, Champaign.

During his report, Bishop Beckwith reported on his attendance at a conference entitled *Dioceses in Missional Relationship*. The Bishop also reported that he had decided to formally retire on February 1, 2010. Members of the Council thanked the Bishop for his service to the Diocese, and also formally endorsed his request to the House of Bishops for permission to retire.

During the Good of the Order, Mr. Babb reported on recent meetings he had attended for continuing bodies of General Convention. The Rev. Dr. Desmond Francis reported that a *Pausing for Prayer* workshop is planned for March 13, 2010. The Rev. Christopher Ashmore updated Council on the process of consideration and approval of the Anglican Covenant.

### **Meeting of February 26, 2010**

Among the items considered at this meeting were the following:

Mr. James Donkin, diocesan Treasurer, reported that the firm Bush O'Donnell of St. Louis, had been appointed to manage the Diocese's investment portfolio. The new firm will follow the same investment strategy as the former one did, he reported.

The Division of Finance and Administration presented an amended 2010 budget to Council for consideration, based on pledge income and other information. Pledge income dropped slightly, or about \$15,000.00, from previous levels, interest income dropped about \$12,000.00, and a 4% draw from investments is projected. \$47,500.00 for support of the episcopal election process was set aside, and a \$50,000.00 deficit is projected for the year. Council adopted the amended budget as presented.

A resolution to cover the retired Bishop's medical insurance was adopted.

The Chair of the Department of Communications reported that it is considering changes to *The Springfield Current*, perhaps making it a quarterly publication with a magazine-style format. The diocesan website continues to improve, it was reported.

Fr. Timothy Hallett reported that a student member of the Chapel of St. John the Divine had been chosen to be a member of the Student Leadership Team for the National Gathered Conference in Estes Park, Colorado, during the summer.

Fr. Gene Tucker presented a positive report about the Junior High youth retreat "New Beginnings", which took place in February. Mr. Gerry Smith reported that a Senior High youth retreat "Happening" is planned for March at St. George's Church, Belleville.

Fr. Eugene Stormer, Chair of the Commission on Ministry, reported that canonical exams had recently been administered to persons in the ordination process.

Fr. Anthony B. Holder, President of the Standing Committee, reported that Fr. Philip Lewis had left St. Barnabas Church, Havana, and that the Standing Committee was working with the parish to address the vacancy.

Fr. Stormer, Chair of the Electing Committee, presented a report about the plans the committee had drafted for the episcopal election. Postings will be made on the diocesan website, he said, which will outline the various steps in the process. Surveys that were received by the Electing Committee will be tabulated shortly, he said.

Fr. Holder presented a positive report on the Clergy Preleuten Retreat, which was held at King's House in Belleville.

Fr. Richard Swan noted that a *Kairos* prison ministry weekend has been scheduled for the Menard Prison in Chester, Illinois. This ministry has not taken place at Menard in about 20 years, he noted.

Council considered, but rejected, a proposal to make a gift of the automobile that Bishop Beckwith had been using to the Bishop.

### **Meeting of May 22, 2010**

Highlights of this meeting include:

Mr. James Donkin, Treasurer of the Diocese, reported that the Diocese's finances are in a "decent shape", even allowing for the vacancy in the episcopate. Pledges are running about \$97,000.00 behind, he noted.

Fr. Holder reported that Fr. Timothy A. Goodman had resigned as Chair of the Department of General Mission Strategy, and that the Rev. Dr. Keith Roderick had been appointed in his stead.

Mr. Pete Sherman, Chair of the Department of Communications, reported that a survey will be inserted into a future edition of *The Springfield Current*. This survey is designed to gauge the advisability of changes to the publication. During the summer months, the department will assess the feedback, he said. The *Current* will be supplemented by the website, he said.

Fr. Desmond Francis, Chair of the Department of Evangelism and Spiritual Enrichment, reported on a series of articles which have to do with bringing churches back to life which have appeared in *The Springfield Current*. The department seeks feedback on this series, he said.

The Department of Young Adult and Higher Education Ministries reported that it is seeking to better track young persons who leave local churches to go away to college.

Mr. Joe Hooten, Chair of the Youth Department, noted that very few applications had been received for "Work Week". Raising the level of youth candidates for the Junior and Senior High retreats remains a departmental concern, he noted, because future youth leaders for these retreats arise from the population of candidates who go through the retreat process.

Fr. Eugene Stormer reported that Commission on Ministry was currently grading the answers to the canonical exams which were administered recently to three persons.

The Episcopal Church Women's Chair, Ms. Christ DeWitt, reported that fundraising for this year's outreach project had exceeded its goal of raising \$10,000.00. About \$11,500.00 had been raised, she reported. There are open positions on the ECW board, she noted, adding that she would be happy to receive the names of interested women to fill these positions.

During the deanery reports, Dean Tucker thanked the Diocese for their assistance in making possible an Eastern Deanery confirmation service, conducted by Bishop Parsons. Fr. Richard Swan reported that members of the Hale Deanery attended a Southern Illinois Miner's baseball game together. Fr. Brian Kellington, Dean of the Northern Deanery, welcomed Fr. Phillip Boeve as Priest-in-Charge of St. Barnabas', Havana. Fr. Timothy Hallett, Northeastern Dean, reported that Emmanuel Memorial, Champaign, had raised \$2,147,000.00 in outreach offerings over the previous 25 years.

Fr. Stormer, Chair of the Electing Committee, reported on the Discernment Meetings that were then being conducted around the Diocese.

Fr. Holder reported that the Standing Committee was going to meet on May 28<sup>th</sup> to consider the structure of the Nominating Synod. Fr. Holder then distributed a list of the names of the nominees.

### **Meeting of August 27, 2010**

This meeting considered the following:

Mr. James Donkin, Treasurer of the Diocese, reported that revenues were exceeding expenses by about \$111,500.00. Expenditures were lower than expected, he said, while pledges are lagging. He added that he expected that pledges would catch up later in the year. With respect to the episcopal election process, he reported that, of the \$47,500.00 budgeted, about \$22,000.00 had been spent, leaving about \$25,000.00 remaining.

Mr. Bruce Bonds, Chair of the Trustees, said that the Diocese was not immune from the conditions which are prevailing in the outside world. Diocesan investments had seen about a one percent increase in their value, he said. He added that Diocesan investments in CDs had a value of \$1,911,460, while investment in cash, stocks and bonds totaled \$1,950,575.00. The Trustees would meet in September, he reported.

Mr. Donkin presented a draft budget for 2011, which projects a 3% increase in pledge income, a 4% draw from investments, and 1.5% increases in salaries. He noted that an 8% increase in health insurance premiums is projected for 2011. The budget projects a deficit of \$73,252.00. The Council approved the draft budget as presented for consideration by Synod, 2010.

The Department of Stewardship presented a resolution for consideration by Council. Following discussion and amendment, the Council approved the resolution for consideration at Synod, 2010.

The Rev. Dr. Keith Roderick, Chair of the Department of General Mission Strategy, reported that the Department planned to meet following Council.

Mr. Pete Sherman, Chair of the Department of Communications, reported that results of the balloting at the Nominating Synod would be posted to the diocesan website. He reported that the recent surveys about the possible redesign of *The Springfield Current* indicated that there is some support for such a redesign, perhaps with a reduced frequency of publication, and a different mix of electronic/printed versions.

Fr. Richard Swan reported that the *Kairos* weekend at Menard Prison in Chester, Illinois, will take place beginning September 23, 2010. Three members of the Diocese of Springfield are involved in this ministry, he said. They are: Fr. Timothy Goodman, Mr. Gerry Smith, and Fr. Swan.

Mr. Joe Hooten reported that the Youth Department had conducted youth minister training on April 24<sup>th</sup>. Members of the department attended the *Agape* music festival at Greenville College on April 30 – May 1. Six teens and two adults took part in “Work Week” in June. Church Camp took place at East Bay Camp June 27 – July 3. The number of campers was lower this year than in previous years, he noted. Plans are proceeding to have a “Happening” retreat weekend in November.

Fr. Eugene Stormer reported that the Commission on Ministry would meet following Council to consider the report of the Examining Chaplains for two of the exams conducted last spring. Fr. David Halt, Rector of St. Matthew’s in Bloomington, had been chosen to replace the vacancy which was created by the departure of Fr. Robert Lewis.

Ms. Christ DeWitt, Chair of the Episcopal Church Women, reported that plans for the Lenten Retreat in 2011 are under way. Last year’s outreach fundraising totaled \$13, 910.00, she said, for two projects that the ECW had sponsored.

The Standing Committee reported on its recent actions, including plans for the Electing Synod, and consents to episcopal elections. It also reported that it had accepted the resignation of the Very Rev. John Bettmann as Rector of St. Paul’s, Carlinville, and Vicar of St. Peter’s, Chesterfield, effective January 1, 2011, on the occasion of Fr. Bettmann’s retirement.

During the “Good of the Order”, Fr. Holder reported on planning for the Walkabouts, which are planned for August 31 – September 2. Fr. Bettmann was thanked for his service to Council, to the Diocese, and to his churches, on the occasion of the last Council meeting he would be attending prior to his retirement. Fr. Eugene Stormer announced his retirement, effective September 30, 2010. Fr. Stormer was also thanked for his varied and fine ministry, as well.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Very Rev. Gene R. Tucker  
Secretary, Diocese of Springfield

## **REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE**

Since the meeting of the 132<sup>nd</sup> Synod, the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Springfield has taken the following actions:

Welcomed the election of The Reverend David J. Boase and Mrs. Elizabeth Ross as members of the Standing Committee;

Thanked the Reverend Dr. Desmond C. Francis and Mr. Winn Pardee for their tenure on the Standing Committee and to Father Francis for his time as President and leading the Committee in the initial stages of the Election process for a new bishop;

Consented to the Election and Consecration of the following Bishops-elect:

- Rev. Scott Anson Benhase – Diocese of Georgia
- The Rev. Dr. Ian T. Douglas - Diocese of Connecticut
- The Rev. Canon Diane M. Jardine Bruce – Diocese of Los Angeles (Suffragan)
- The Very Rev. Morris K. Thompson, Jr. - Diocese of Louisiana
- The Rev. W. Andrew Waldo - Diocese of Upper South Carolina
- The Rev. Dr. Michael J. Hanley – Diocese of Oregon
- The Rev. Canon David Bailey - Diocese of Navajoland
- The Rev. Canon Dr. James Magness - Federal Ministries (Suffragan)
- The Rev. John Sheridan Smylie – Diocese of Wyoming
- The Rev. Dr. Michael Louis Vono – Diocese of the Rio Grande
- The Very Rev. Mark Andrew Lattime - Diocese of Alaska
- The Rev. Canon Scott B. Hayashi – Diocese of Utah

Voted not to consent to the Election and Consecration of the following Bishops-elect:

- The Rev. Brian N. Prior – Diocese of Minnesota
- The Rev. Canon Mary D. Glasspool – Diocese of Los Angeles (Suffragan)
- The Very Rev. Terry A. White – Diocese of Kentucky

### **Episcopal Election Process in the Diocese:**

The following actions of the process to elect the next Bishop of Springfield have been realized:

The announcement of the selection of The Reverend Canon Eugene A. Stormer as Chair of the Election Committee;

Suggested prayers to be used in the Diocese during the Election Process

**October 23, 2009 (St. James of Jerusalem):** Announcement of the Election Committee Chair and outlined the Election Process at the Synod

**November 29, 2009 (First Sunday of Advent):** Election Committee formed

**January 18, 2010 (Confession of St. Peter):** Budget developed for approval at February 2010 Diocesan Council meeting

**February 17, 2010 (Ash Wednesday):** Diocesan Profile, Guidelines and the Nomination Form completed

**April 12, 2010:** Deadline for receiving nominations for Election of Bishop Diocesan. Questionnaires mailed to nominees

**May 13, 2010 (*Ascension Day*):** Deadline for nominees to submit responses to the questionnaire

**June 29, 2010 (*St. Peter and St. Paul*):** Conducted background checks, carried out by Oxford Document Management Company, Anoka, MN, and deadline for compilation of Booklet of Nominees (Synod Notebook). The Notebook was mailed to delegates of the Nominating Synod

**August 6, 2010 (*The Transfiguration*)** Day of Prayer

**August 7, 2010:** Special Nominating Synod convened to elect final list of candidates for Bishop Diocesan

**August 31 – September 2, 2010:** Candidates visit the Diocese (“Walk-about”)

**September 17, 2010:** Day of Prayer

**September 18, 2010 (*Edward Bouverie Pusey, Priest*):** The Electing Synod convened and elected the Eleventh Bishop of Springfield, The Reverend Daniel Hayden Martins, Rector of St. Anne’s Episcopal Church, Warsaw, Indiana, in the Diocese of Northern Indiana

The following is still to be realized:

**January 18, 2011 (*Confession of St. Peter*):** Consent Process ends

**March 19, 2011 (*St. Joseph*):** Consecration of Bishop Coadjutor

In addition, the Standing Committee deliberated and consented to the following pertaining to the Episcopal Election:

- Format and Distribution of the Synod Notebook (Nominees’ Booklet) that was presented to the Clerical and Lay Delegates of Synod
- Format and Distribution of the DVDs of Nominees’ responses to questions
- Selection of Continuing Committees, Chaplain of the Synod, Parliamentarian, Tellers, Registration Personnel
- Voting Procedures and Vote Counting
- Walkabouts – Venues, Time, Format, Video Recordings, Itinerary, Travel and Hotel Accommodation arrangements pertaining to the Candidates and their Spouses, Assimilation of Questions

Recommended to Candidacy for Holy Orders: Jeff Kozuszek, David Saad, and John R. Henry

Appointed The Reverend William Howard as Assisting Deacons of the Eastern Deanery effective April 1, 2010, primarily to serve at St. John’s, Albion;

Appointed The Reverend Ann H. Tofani as Assisting Deacons of the Eastern Deanery effective April 1, 2010, primarily to serve at St. Mary’s Church, Robinson;

Both Deacons Howard and Tofani are serving under the supervision of the Dean of the Eastern Deanery and they may also be deployed, as needed, to other places within the Deanery as determined by the Dean of the Eastern Deanery;

Renewed the assignment of the Reverend Dr. Thomas W. Langford, as Assisting Deacon to Trinity Church, Jacksonville, for a period of one year;

Approved The Venerable Shawn W. Denney, Archdeacon of Springfield and Vicar of St. Luke's, Springfield, to be in charge of the daily administration of the Diocesan Center until the consecration of the next Bishop of Springfield;

Approved the appointment of Fr. Philip Boeve as Priest-in-Charge of St. Barnabas, Havana, effective April 22, 2010;

Received and accepted the resignation of Fr. Tim Goodman as Chair of the Department of General Mission Strategy (DGMS);

Appointed The Reverend Dr. Keith Roderick as Chair of the Department of General Mission Strategy (DGMS) to serve the remainder of the term, expiring October 2010;

Consented to the Celebration of New Ministry of The Reverend Canon Dale D. Coleman as Rector of St. George's, held on Sunday, July 25, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. in St. George's Episcopal Church, Belleville, Illinois;

Accepted the offer of \$300, Re: A request from the Illinois American Water Company for the grant of an easement on the southwest corner of the property in Godfrey, Illinois, owned by the Diocese;

Authorized the sale of property owned by the Diocese at 98 West Lawrence Street, Springfield, Illinois, to The Cable Television and Communications Association of Illinois;

Authorized the sale of the diocesan car to Randall Abbot for \$17,000; the proceeds from the sale was placed in the Bishop's Auto Reserve Account;

Exploring the possibility of selling two pieces of property owned by St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Glen Carbon;

Approved the marital judgments for the marriages of:

- The Reverend James O. Cravens to Mary Kay Flanagan;
- The Reverend Dale D. Coleman and The Rev. M. Joan Garcia, and
- Ms. Tracey Lowrence and Mr. Frederick Summers

Accepted the resignation of The Reverend James O. Cravens, Rector of Trinity, Lincoln, effective August 1, 2010;

Accepted the resignation of The Reverend Canon Eugene A. Stormer, Canon Missioner of the Darrow Cluster Ministry (St. Bartholomew's, Granite City and St. Thomas, Glen Carbon), effective September 30, 2010;

Accepted the resignation of The Reverend Thomas A. Davis, Vicar of St. Thomas, Salem, effective December 1, 2010;

Accepted the resignation of The Very Reverend John C. Bettmann, Rector of St. Paul's, Carlinville and Vicar of St. Peter's, Chesterfield, effective from January 1, 2011;

Accepted the resignation of Mr. Keith Carter, and appointed Mr. Ivan McCrary as the Mission Warden of St. John's, Centralia.

*Respectfully submitted by:*

*The Very Rev. Dr. Anthony B. Holder, President, Standing Committee*

### **REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON MINISTRY**

The Commission on Ministry met on November 9, 2009 for the first meeting. We interview John Henry, attending Nashotah House Seminary from St. John's in Decatur for candidacy to the priesthood. We forwarded a recommendation to the Standing Committee for him to be a candidate for Holy Orders.

The Commission on Ministry also asked the Examining Chaplains to create comprehensive exam for John Henry, Jeff Kozuszek and David Saad. John Henry will finish the seminary this spring and the other two have completed the school for ministry. The exam should be given the early part of the year 2010.

In August 2010 by an email vote the Commission decided to fill a vacancy left by the departure of Fr. Lewis with Fr. David Halt from St. Matthew's Bloomington.

The Commission met again on August 27, 2010 to receive the report of the Examining Chaplains on John Henry and Jeff Kozuszek.

The Commission also interviewed Jeff Kozuszek for his request to be ordained. We recommended him to the Standing Committee for ordination to the priesthood. We reviewed the information on John Henry from the Examining Chaplains and also recommended him to ordination to the priesthood. The commission recommended both to them to the standing committee for ordination.

The Commission also met with Carolyn Rauschert to interview her regarding her request to become a candidate for Holy Orders. After the interview we recommended her to Standing Committee for candidacy

This concludes the report for this year of the Commission on Ministry.

Respectfully submitted,

The Rev. Canon Eugene A. Stormer, Chair

### **BOARD OF EXAMINING CHAPLAINS**

The Examining Chaplains were asked to prepare an exam for the priesthood for three candidates. We did so and administered the exam between the end of February and the end of March. The results of two of exams were sent to the Commission on Ministry.

This concluded the work of the Examining Chaplains for 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

The Rev. Canon Eugene A. Stormer, Chair

## SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL FOR MINISTRY

The Springfield School for Ministry is a three year program devoted to the preparation of postulants for Holy Orders in the Diocese of Springfield.

Students enrolled in the Springfield School for Ministry met monthly during the past year for classes devoted to an in depth study of the canon of Holy Scriptures (Old and New Testaments). These classes were led by the Rev. Christopher L. Ashmore (Trinity, Jacksonville). Topics included: theme, content, and historical context of each Old and New Testament book; Gospel narratives in the synoptic and Johannine tradition; geography of the biblical lands; review of the various scholarly approaches to biblical criticism; and the principles of exegesis and hermeneutics.

The School is indebted to Fr. Ashmore for his excellent presentations and skillful teaching each month.

Respectfully submitted  
The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford, Dean

### **REPORT OF THE CHANCELLOR**

No proposed changes to the Constitution and Canons submitted.

### **REPORT OF THE HISTORIOGRAPHER**

A number of printed items have been received from various sources, all of which augment the diocesan archives. It is not unusual for those cleaning out parish or personal records to find items relating to diocesan events or activities. If those items are not needed for local archives, please send them to the Diocesan Center or the Historiographer. Copies of the former diocesan paper, *The Springfield Churchman*, would be especially useful.

Mrs. Betty Leinicke, Historiographer Emeritus, has taken care of a number of requests that have been sent directly to the Diocesan Center, and her help is greatly appreciated.

Several people have inquired about the means or methods of writing the history of a local parish. There is an excellent outline and resource available online, written by the president of the Alban Institute, the web version of a book he has written on the subject. It is written specifically for Lutheran congregations but is easily applicable to Episcopal parishes. See <http://www.congregationalresources.org/ConstructingStory/About.asp>. The site may be searched for specific topics or printed in its entirety for reference.

The Historiographer may be contacted directly with the email address in the Diocesan Directory.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Rev. Robert D. Harmon, Historiographer

## OTHER REPORTS

### EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN

The ECW board met on July 24, 2010 at St. Michaels in O'Fallon, IL for their annual planning meeting. As a board, we concentrate on the two things that we do best; the annual retreat and raising funds for the chosen outreach project.

Plans have been made for the annual retreat in 2011. The retreat will be held March 25-27, 2011 at Todd Hall near Columbia, IL. The theme for this retreat is "Celebrating the Disciplines ~ Learning to Use God's Toolbox" and was inspired by a book by Richard Foster. The speakers for this event will be 3 women clergy from our diocese. Additionally, Mr. Henry Evans will return to delight us with his musical talent and lead us in a hymn sing at St. Cecilia's Chapel on Saturday evening.

Over 32 women from Illinois, Michigan & Kentucky attended the February 2010 Lenten Retreat, "Living Stones on Sacred Pathways". Our presenters led and challenged us to remember and observe as we started our weekend pathway with "Sacred Time", "Sacred Texts", "Sacred Living", and ended with "Sacred Places" on Sunday morning.

We had set a goal of \$10,000.00 for our two outreach projects the 2009-2010 year. The "Solar Cooker" project provides light weight solar cookers to women in refugee camps in Chad so women do not have to leave the safety of the camp to collect firewood to prepare meals for their families. Our second project, "The Remembering Hearts" benefits patients at BroMenn Healthcare in Bloomington/Normal, Illinois. With our help they were able to establish a fund that will provide a two-piece heart shaped keepsake for the grieving parents of babies who have died. We exceeded our goal by raising \$12,351.22 for the "Solar Cooker" project and \$1,559.22 for the "Remembering Hearts" fund; for a total of \$13,910.44 to date with donations still coming in.

The annual meeting of the ECW was held May 1st at St. John's in Decatur, IL. We had two presenters, Sr. Claudia Ward, and Mrs. Sara Burrus, who shared their enthusiasm and extensive knowledge of very successful fund-raising ideas and projects. The 2010-11 Diocesan Outreach Project was announced by the Rev. Mollie Ward. The new project will be "Trickle Up"; an agency working in Africa, Asia and Central America to help families to get started on their journey out of poverty by providing training and seed capital to launch or expand a micro-enterprise. More information can be found on their website [www.trickleup.org](http://www.trickleup.org)

**We invite you to see our website at: <http://mysite.verizon.net/ecw.board.springfield>**

Dates on our calendar are:

**March 25 – 27, 2011 – ECW Lenten Retreat at Todd Hall, Columbia, IL**

April 17, 2011 – Suggested date for the churches Spring UTO Ingathering

April 30, 2011 – ECW Annual Meeting and Spring UTO Ingathering at St. Matthew's, Bloomington

Respectfully submitted,  
Ms. Chris DeWitt, President

## CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB

The annual CPC ingathering for the Diocese of Springfield was May 2, 2010. Donations this year totaled \$493.45; nationwide donations were lower than last year. Grants were received from persons worldwide in need, many more than we can possibly fund.

The MILES OF PENNIES fund provides for the needs of children in kindergarten through the twelfth grade. Materials may be religious or secular, such as books, workbooks, training manuals, CDs, Vacation Bible School, computer software or audio-visual materials. The maximum amount of any one grant is \$844.80, the number of pennies necessary to make one mile.

For more information on the Church Periodical Club or to access the forms and instructions for either type of grant, please visit the Church Periodical Club web site at [http://www.churchperiodical.com/grants/apps\\_guides.htm](http://www.churchperiodical.com/grants/apps_guides.htm). I can be reached by phone at (618) 622-4980, e-mail at [rmsathome@msn.com](mailto:rmsathome@msn.com) or by regular mail at 331 Kings Ridge Blvd., O'Fallon, IL 62269.

CPC is sponsored by the Episcopal Church Women of Springfield.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Roberta Clark, Directress

## UNITED THANK OFFERING

The Mission of the United Thank Offering is to expand the circle of thankful people.  
To achieve this mission, we encourage daily prayers, offerings  
and awareness of the abundance of God's blessings.

The Diocese of Springfield's thankfulness in 2009 was represented by \$16,279.34. The Spring Ingathering for 2010 as of August 25, 2010 is \$7,691.34. Thank you to everyone that contributed through your churches.

The United Thank Offering 2011 Grant Application will be available on-line at United Thank Offering's website, [episcopalchurch.org/uto](http://episcopalchurch.org/uto), on October 1<sup>st</sup>. The instructions will be easy to follow and the application will be easy to fill out on the computer. The UTO staff will be happy to offer any help that may be needed, including walking you through the application, if necessary; and no one will be prevented from filling out the application. The applications will still be submitted to our Diocesan Office, so the Screening Committee can make their recommendations to the President of the Standing Committee. **The grant application must be received at the Diocesan Office by December 31, 2010.**

I attended the Episcopal Church Women's (ECW) Lenten Retreat on February 19-21, 2010. I attended the Diocesan ECW Board Meeting on February 19, 2010.

I attended the Diocesan ECW Annual Meeting on May 1, 2010 at St. John's, Decatur.

I attended the Diocesan ECW Planning Meeting on July 24, 2010 at St. Michael's, O'Fallon, hosted by Roberta Clark, Church Periodical Club chair.

The United Thank Offering Board had their training session, “Face to Face”, for new Diocesan Coordinators at Toddhall Retreat and Conference Center on July 16-18, 2010. There were thirty-seven people throughout the United States, Ecuador and Columbia attending. They all enjoyed the hospitality at Toddhall and the service. The Rev. Canon Gene Stormer, St. Thomas, Glen Carbon and St. Bartholomew’s, Granite City, did the Eucharist service with organist, Mr. Henry Evans from St. Andrew’s, Edwardsville.

The United Thank Offering Fall Ingathering will be at the Eucharist service on October 9, 2010. Please bring your United Thank Offering Ingathering to that service.

I would like to thank the following churches for participating in 2009, we had 74% participation: St. John’s, Albion; Episcopal Parish of Alton, Alton; St. George’s, Belleville; St. Matthew’s, Bloomington; Redeemer, Cairo; St. Andrew’s, Carbondale; St. Paul’s, Carlinville, St. John’s, Centralia; Emmanuel Memorial, Champaign; St. John the Divine, Champaign; St. John’s, Decatur; St. Andrew’s, Edwardsville; St. Laurence, Effingham; St. Thomas’, Glen Carbon; St. Bartholomew’s, Granite City; St. Stephen’s, Harrisburg; St. Barnabas’, Havana; Trinity, Jacksonville; St. James’, Marion; Trinity, Mattoon; St. James, McLeansboro; Trinity, Mount Vernon; St. John the Baptist, Mt. Carmel; St. Michael’s, O’Fallon; St. Paul’s, Pekin; St. Thomas’, Salem; Christ Church, Springfield and St. Mark’s, West Frankfort.

I am available to talk about possible United Thank Offering projects or to talk about United Thank Offering at your church. Please contact me at: [utospil@sbcglobal.net](mailto:utospil@sbcglobal.net), or 618-655-0326 or 2400 Little Round Top Drive, Edwardsville, IL 62025.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Jan Goossens, Coordinator

## ***APPENDIX VIII***

### **Appointments (includes re-appointments and continuing) for 2010 – 2011:**

*\*Indicates new appointment*

Division of Administration and Finance, Director	Mr. Rod Matthews
Department of Finance, Chair	<i>Vacant</i>
*Department of Stewardship, Chair	Dr. Stephen Pearson
Department of General Mission Strategy, Chair	The Rev. Dr. Keith R. Roderick
Department of Communication, Chair	Mr. Pete Sherman
*Division of Mission and Worship, Director	The Rev. Dr. Desmond C. Francis
Department of Christian Education, Chair	The Rev. Christopher L. Ashmore
*Department of Evangelism/Spiritual Enrichment, Chair	The Very Rev. Brian T. Kellington
Prayer Fellowship, Chair	<i>Vacant</i>
Department of Christian Social Concerns, Chair	The Rev. Sheryl L. Black
Anti-Racism, Chair	The Rev. Christine Hopkins
Chemical Dependency, Chair	The Rev. Sheryl L. Black
Department of Young Adult and Higher Education, Chair	Mr. Kevin Babb
Department of Ecumenical Relations, Chair	The Rev. Canon Eugene A. Stormer

\*Department of Youth Work, Chair  
Happening Coordinator  
New Beginnings Coordinators  
Youth Work Week Coordinator  
Camp Committee

Ms. Kathy Moore  
Mrs. Dana Meyer  
Mr. Robert Vaughn & Mrs. Sue Vaughn  
Mr. Joe Hooten  
Mr. Donald Monty  
Mr. Tate Chambers  
The Rev. Canon Richard A. Swan  
Youth Representative - *Vacant*  
Mr. Norman Taylor  
The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford  
The Rev. Christine C. Hopkins  
*Vacant*  
The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford  
Mr. Frederick Velde  
Mr. Kevin Babb  
The Rev. Robert Harmon  
Mrs. Betty Howard Leinicke  
The Very Rev. John Bettmann  
The Rev. Allan Feltner  
Mr. Michael Baglio  
*Vacant*  
*Vacant*

Department of National and World Mission, Chair  
\*Commission on Ministry, Chair  
\*Commission on Ministry (term expires October, 2016)  
Examining Chaplains, Chair  
Springfield School for Ministry, Dean  
Chancellor (term expires October, 2012)  
Deputy Chancellor (term expires October, 2012)  
Historiographer (term expires October, 2012)  
Historiographer Emerita  
Cursillo Spiritual Director  
Diocesan Council  
Diocesan Council  
Diocesan Council Youth Representative  
Diocesan Council Youth Representative

## ***APPENDIX IX***

### **Deans and Deanery Representatives to Council**

(\* denotes elected at fall deanery meeting)

\*Darrow Dean (12)

The Very Rev. Canon Dale D. Coleman  
*St. George's, Belleville*  
Mr. Chuck Evans  
*St. George's, Belleville*

Darrow Representative (11)

Eastern Dean (11)

The Very Rev. Gene R. Tucker  
*Trinity, Mt. Vernon and St. John's, Centralia*  
Mr. Keith Carter  
*St. John's, Centralia*

Eastern Representative (11)

\*Hale Dean (12)

The Very Rev. Canon Richard A. Swan  
*Hale Deanery Team Ministry*  
Mr. Jim Eberts  
*St. James', Marion*

Hale Representative (11)

Northern Dean (11)

The Very Rev. Brian T. Kellington  
*St. Paul's, Pekin and All Saints', Morton*

Northern Representative (11)

Dr. Stephen Pearson  
*St. Paul's, Pekin*

\*Northeastern Dean (12)

The Very Rev. Geoffrey E.L. Scanlon  
*Holy Trinity, Danville*

\*Northeastern Representative (12)

Ms. Kathie Schmitt  
*Holy Trinity, Danville*

\*Northwestern Dean (12)

The Very Rev. Christopher L. Ashmore  
*Trinity, Jacksonville*

\*Northwestern Representative (12)

Mrs. Wendy Lyons  
*St. Luke's, Springfield*

## ***APPENDIX X***

### **132<sup>nd</sup> Synod of the Episcopal Diocese of Springfield October 23 – 24, 2009**

**Hosted by the Cathedral Church of St. Paul and St. Luke's Church, Springfield**

#### **MINUTES OF THE SYNOD**

- 1. Call to Order and Invocation:* The One Hundred Thirty Second Synod of the Episcopal Diocese of Springfield convened at the Inn at 835, Springfield, Illinois, and was called to order by the Rt. Rev. Peter Hess Beckwith, Tenth Bishop of Springfield, at 12: 06 PM on Friday, October 23m 2009. The Bishop opened the business session of the Synod with prayer.
- 2. Report on Registrations/Quorum:* The Rev. Gene R. Tucker, Secretary of the Diocese, reported that forty three (43) clergy delegates had registered, and that seventy two (72) lay delegates had registered. A quorum for the conduct of business was then declared.
- 3. Welcome:* The Very Rev. Robert E. Brodie, Dean of the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, welcomed Synod delegates and guests to the Inn at 835 on behalf of the Cathedral and on behalf of the Ven. Shawn W. Denney and the members of St. Luke's Church, reminding everyone of the Synod's theme, which was "Living the Resurrected Life: Walking Daily with Christ."
- 4. Approval of Minutes of the 131<sup>st</sup> Synod:* The Minutes of the 131<sup>st</sup> Synod were approved as presented by voice vote.
- 5. Appointments to Continuing Committees and of the Parliamentarian:* The Bishop appointed as members of the Synod Committee and as Parliamentarian those were listed on page 89 of the Synod booklet.

6. *Election of the Secretary of the Diocese and the Appointment of an Assistant Secretary:* The Rev. Gene R. Tucker was re-elected Secretary of the Diocese by acclamation. Fr. Tucker then appointed the Rev. Sylvia L. Howard, Deacon, as temporary Assistant Secretary.

7. *Disposition of issues pertaining to the seating of delegates:* No issues concerning the seating of delegates were reported.

8. *Appointment of Inspectors of Elections:* The Bishop appointed those who were listed on page 89 of the Synod Agenda as Inspectors of Elections.

9. *Synod Address:* The Bishop then delivered the Synod Address (text may be found in the Journal).

10. *Synod Chaplain's Reflections:* The Rt. Rev. Donald J. Parsons, Synod Chaplain, delivered the first of two reflections which were offered during the business sessions, focusing on themes from the writings of St. Teresa of Avila.

11. *Greetings:* The Rt. Rev. Warren Freiheit, Bishop of the Central/Southern Illinois Synod, ELCA, the Very Rev. Dr. Frank B. H. H. Marshall, Dean of the Cathedral Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Diocese of Barbados, and the Rev. Mauricio Coelho, Rector of Christ the Redeemer Church, Associate Archdeacon for the Center Archdeaconate and Diocesan Assistant for Foreign Relations, Diocese of Recife, Brazil, each offered greetings to those in attendance.

12. *Resolutions:* The Very Rev. Canon Richard A. Swan, Chair of the Resolutions Committee, then presented Courtesy Resolutions 09-C-1, 09-C-2, 09-C-3, 09-C-4, 09-C-5 and 09-C-6 to the delegates. (The text of these resolutions appears as Appendix A to these minutes.) All six resolutions were approved by voice vote.

13. *Report – Treasurer:* Mr. James R. Donkin, Treasurer of the Diocese, offered the Treasurer's Report (pages 2 – 8 of the Synod booklet). In reviewing the events of 2008, Mr. Donkin reported that 2008 marked the first year in which the Diocese ended the year with an actual deficit. While total revenues declined, so did expenditures. Earnings from the endowment had been used to meet expenses, but the principal remained untouched during 2008. The deficit was covered by surpluses accumulated in previous years. The report was then accepted as presented by Synod on a voice vote.

14. *Report - Department of Finance:* On behalf of the Department of Finance, Mr. Donkin then presented the Proposed 2010 budget for consideration (pages 8 – 14 of the Synod booklet). In remarks made in connection with his presentation, Mr. Donkin noted that the proposed budget envisions no increases in salary for staff members, while health insurance premiums are expected to rise by approximately 3.8% for 2010, (which is a blended rate of increase for the three insurance policies involved). The proposed budget was adopted as presented by voice vote.

*Introduction of the Head Table:* Bishop Beckwith introduced those who were seated at the Head Table, including the Rt. Rev. Donald J. Parsons, Assisting Bishop in the Diocese of Springfield and Synod Chaplain; the Ven. Shawn W. Denney, Archdeacon; Mr. James R. Donkin, Treasurer;

Mr. Kevin Babb, Assistant Chancellor and Parliamentarian; and the Rev. Gene R. Tucker, Secretary. The Bishop commented that “these are the ones who make this ministry work.”

*15. Reports – Continuing Committees:* Reports of Continuing Committees were presented, as follows: 1. Credentials: No report; 2. Dispatch of Business: In accordance with the Canons; 3. Incorporation/Admission of Parishes: By title; 4. Privilege: Mr. Stephen Pearson was appointed to the committee in the absence of the Rev. Philip M. Lewis; 5. Legislation: No legislation has been submitted; 6. Resolutions: Resolution 09-P-1 (Stewardship) was presented for consideration (see page 15 of the Synod booklet for a complete text). The Chair of the Stewardship Department, the Very Rev. Brian T. Kellington, endorsed adoption of the resolution, noting that “all that we have is God’s.” Commenting further, he added that Christians are managers and stewards, not owners, of what God has bestowed upon us, noting that stewardship involves all that we do and all that we give after we say, “I believe.” The resolution was then adopted as presented on a voice vote.

*16. Elections:* The following persons were elected by acclamation:

Treasurer – Mr. James R. Donkin  
Standing Committee (Clergy) – The Rev. David J. Boase  
Standing Committee (Lay) – Mrs. Elizabeth Ross  
Trustee – Mr. Bill Ledbetter  
Diocesan Council (Clergy) – The Rev. Jon E. Griffin  
Diocesan Council (Lay) – Mr. Gerry Smith  
Commission on Ministry (Clergy) – The Rev. Canon Eugene A. Stormer  
Ecclesiastical Trial Court (Clergy) – The Very Rev. Robert E. Brodie  
Ecclesiastical Trial Court (Lay) – Mr. Norman Taylor  
Provincial Synod Delegate (Lay) – Mrs. Jan Goossens

*17. Report of the Trustees:* This report was filed by title by Mr. Randy Winn, and was accepted by Synod on a voice vote. (The Independent Auditor’s Report for calendar year 2008, prepared by Allen K. Murphy, is attached as Appendix B of these minutes.)

*18. Deanery Report:* Reports for the Deaneries were filed by title. Additional comments were made by the following: Ms. Jean Anderson, St. Michael’s, O’Fallon noted that a Festival of Harvest was held recently, and that 30 bags of groceries were collected on a recent Sunday for the hungry in the O’Fallon area. The Very Rev. Canon Richard A. Swan, Dean of the Hale Deanery, commented that there had been a Bishop’s Homecoming since the written report was filed at St. Mark’s, West Frankfort, at which time one person was confirmed. The Very Rev. Brian T. Kellington, Rector of St. Paul’s, Pekin, commented on the recently formed partnership between St. Paul’s and All Saints, Morton. Fr. Desmond Francis, Rector of Christ the King, Normal, noted discipleship initiatives are currently underway, adding that pastoral care under the leadership of Deacon Alan Feltner had become more active in area nursing homes recently. He also noted that a Parish Nurses ministry is active at Christ the King, while a Sunday evening Prayer Partners ministry is also active.

*19. Reports – Division of Administration and Finance:* The Ven. Shawn W. Denney presented the reports by title on behalf of Mr. David Emerson. He noted that the audit process was

“significantly better than in the past.” The Bishop also commented that the audit process was conducted with very few problems this year. In addition, Mrs. Sue Spring, Diocesan Administrator, noted that all Synod reports were submitted in a timely manner this year.

*Department of Stewardship:* By title. Fr. Kellington thanked the Synod for adopting the Stewardship Department’s resolution, urging all churches to apply it.

*Department of General Mission Strategy:* By title. Fr. Goodman noted that the August 2009 Small Church Gathering at St. John’s, Decatur, was “a great success.”

*Department of Communication:* Filed by title by Mr. William Dusenbery. The Bishop asked that all members of the Diocese check carefully to see that information posted on the new diocesan website was accurate, and to make notations of needed corrections, and to report those corrections to the department.

#### *20. Reports – Division of Mission and Worship:*

*Department of Christian Education:* Filed by title by the Rev. Dr. Thomas A. Langford on behalf of the Rev. Christopher L. Ashmore.

*Education for Ministry:* By title.

*Department of Evangelism and Spiritual Enrichment:* By title. The Rev. Dr. Desmond C. Francis also provided information about two upcoming workshops for 2010, on April 24 and July 17, which will focus on the Christian witness to Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism.

*Prayer Fellowship:* By title. Pausing for Prayer will be held March 13, 2010, the theme for which will be “To know and to do God’s Will”.

*Armed Forces Commission:* The Rev. Dr. Daniel N. Karanga, presented this report by title on behalf of the Rev. Mark S. Winward.

*Cursillo:* By title. The Very Rev. John C. Bettmann commented that Cursillo is planning on conducting a Cursillo Weekend in mid-June. He also noted that, in order to hold the event, a minimum of 12 candidates must be registered. Cursillo will make a presentation to Synod during Saturday’s business session.

*Department of Christian Social Concerns:* By title.

*Department of Young Adult and Higher Education Ministries:* By title.

*Department of Ecumenical Relations:* By title.

*Department of Youth Work:* By title. It was noted that the Department will make a presentation during Saturday’s business session.

*Youth Work Week:* By title.

*Episcopal Church Camp of Illinois:* By title.

*Happening:* By title.

*New Beginnings:* By title.

*Department of National and World Missions:* By title.

*21. Report of the Secretary:* By title.

*22. Report of the Standing Committee:* By title. Fr. Desmond Francis and Mr. Gerry Smith made a Power Point presentation about the election process for a Bishop Coadjutor, outlining the election process and the timeline involved. Additional information is available on the diocesan website. The Rev. Canon Eugene A. Stormer was announced to be chair of the Election Committee, and copies of a Prayer for Election of a Bishop, and a Prayer for the Standing and Election Committees were distributed.

Various questions were posed from the delegates concerning: 1. How would the committee be staffed? (Answer: That decision will be made by the Standing Committee and Fr. Stormer); 2. Who will be delegates to the Nominating Synod? (Answer: They will be the same as those who are elected at the Annual Meetings of each church to the Electing Synod); 3. What thoughts do you have, Fr. Stormer, about being Chair of the Electing Committee? (Answer: “I was surprised”, he said, adding that prayer is the most important aspect of the process); 4. What will be good for the committee, Fr. Stormer? (Answer: That the committee will be representative of the various parts of the Diocese, that people involved will be willing to drop other business to attend to the election process, and that Vestries and Bishop’s Committees will provide input to the process.) In further questions and answers, there was a question as to whether any consideration was given to the idea of having an Interim Bishop (Answer: The Standing Committee could consider such an idea); and another questioner asked if candidates for bishop must be from within The Episcopal Church, or could they be from another Anglican Communion church (Answer: Candidates could be from any church which is recognized by the Archbishop of Canterbury).

The Bishop commented that the design of the process in this election is much the same as the one conducted 18 years ago. In the current process, the Election Committee merely facilitates the process, but it does not nominate candidates for the election. In addition, he noted that the Church is “polarized” now, just as it was in 1991.

Further questions were posed, including: 1. How will candidates be discerned? Will all of the candidates come to the Nominating Synod? (Answer: None will come to the Nominating Synod. Written reports will be distributed to all delegates.); 2. What clergy are eligible to vote? (Answer: Article 15 of the Constitution governs eligibility. A presbyter must be personally and canonically resident for six months in the Diocese in order to cast a vote in the election.)

Fr. Francis commented that the entire process must be: 1. Bathed in prayer; 2. Be open and highly visible; 3. Be a holy process; and 4. Be a process in which God’s name is honored.

*23. Report of the Commission on Ministry:* By title.

*Board of Examining Chaplains:* By title.

*Springfield School for Ministry:* By title.

*24. Report of the Chancellor:* By title.

25. *Report of the Historiographer:* By title. Thanking Mrs. Betty Howard Leinicke for her decades of service to the Diocese, Bishop Beckwith noted that she had been designated as “Historiographer Emerita” of the Diocese.

26. *Other Reports:*

*Episcopal Church Women:* By title. It was noted that a presentation is scheduled for Saturday’s business session.

*Church Periodical Club:* By title. It was noted that the Diocese currently has one seminarian who benefits from the work of CPC, Mr. John Henry, who is currently a student at Nashotah House.

*United Thank Offering:* By title.

The business session was recessed by Bishop Beckwith at 2:45 PM.

The Synod gathered for Evensong in the Cathedral Church of St. Paul at 5:30 PM. The Synod Banquet was held beginning at 6:30 PM in the Inn at 835.

On Saturday morning, the Synod Eucharist was celebrated in the Cathedral, beginning at 8:00 AM.

The Saturday morning business session was called to order by Bishop Beckwith in the Inn at 835 at 9:51 AM.

27. *Miscellaneous Business:* Synod accepted by voice vote those persons who were presented on pages 85 – 88 of the Synod booklet to be Chairs of the various Divisions, Departments, Commissions and Fellowships, Chancellor of the Diocese, Dean of the Springfield School for Ministry, Deputy Chancellor, Historiographer and Historiographer Emerita, Cursillo Spiritual Director, and Representatives to Diocesan Council, and to be Deans and Deanery Representatives to Council. The Bishop then announced the names of those presbyters who would serve as Deans in the coming year, as elected by their deaneries.

28. *Good of the Order:* The Department of Youth Work, represented by Mr. Joe Hooten and Miss Sierra Gore, made a presentation on the activities of the department, including New Beginnings, Happening, Church Camp, Work Week, Winter Ball, Apple Festival, Agape Festival and YouthQuake. Cursillo, represented by Mr. Tom Heiting and Fr. John Bettmann, made a presentation about its upcoming Cursillo Weekend. Underscoring their comments, the Bishop noted that the challenge of Cursillo is to be involved in the “fourth day” aspect of the movement. The Revs. Sheryl L. Black and Mollie Ward presented Synod with the recent work of the Episcopal Church Women, reminding Synod delegates that the Lenten Retreat will be held at Toddhall in Belleville on February 19 – 21, 2010. The retreat’s theme this year is “Living Stones on Spiritual Pathways”. The two outreach projects which have been undertaken by the ECW this year are 1. Keepsakes for family members who have lost newborn babies at BroMenn Hospital in Bloomington, IL; and 2. Solar cookers for women in refugee camps in eastern Africa. A video presentation was made. The Bishop commented that Diocesan Council had made a commitment of \$1,500.00 in matching funds to support the ECW’s outreach work. UTO Fall Ingathering: The Fall UTO Ingathering received \$4793.20 in total funds. Bishop Beckwith

noted that the Diocese of Springfield is one of very few dioceses whose UTO offerings continue to rise. Mr. William Dusenbery reminded attendees that they should remember military service personnel and their families, especially at this time of the year. He noted that the deadline for mailing packages to personnel overseas will come soon in order for packages to be received by the holidays. He noted that there are approximately 250 Gold Star families in Illinois now. Crosses to Wear, Crosses to Share, a fundraiser for the Cathedral Church, was presented by Mr. Norman Taylor. The Bishop recognized Synod volunteers from the Cathedral Church and from St. Luke's Church. A question about the nomination process for the Election Committee was raised by Mr. Chuck Palm concerning the size of the committee and the nominating process for it. In answer to the question, the Archdeacon said that the Standing Committee would consider the size of the committee, and the process by which names could be submitted. It is to be noted that no names will be submitted from the floor at the Electing Synod.

*29. Committee on Resolutions:* The Very Rev. Canon Richard A. Swan, Chair, presented Courtesy Resolutions 09-C-7 and 09-C-8 (the texts of these resolutions may be found at Appendix C of these minutes), which were approved by voice vote.

*Synod Chaplain's Reflections:* Bishop Parsons presented the second of his reflections during the business sessions of Synod, concluding his thoughts which were based on the writings of St. Teresa of Avila.

*30. Invitation to the One Hundred Thirty-Third Synod:* The Rev. Alan A. Herbst, Obl., SSJE, Rector of Emmanuel Memorial, and the Very Rev. Timothy J. Hallett, Rector of the Chapel of St. John the Divine, Champaign, issued an invitation to the Diocese to attend the 133<sup>rd</sup> Synod on October 8 – 9, 2010.

*31. Benediction and Adjournment:* The Bishop adjourned the business session with prayer at 11:46 AM.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Very Rev. Gene R. Tucker  
Secretary

Appendices:

- A – Resolutions 09-C-1 through 09-C-6
- B - Independent Auditor's Report, Allen K. Murphy, CPA
- C – Resolutions 09-C-7 and 09-C-8

## APPENDIX XI

### BISHOP'S REPORT – 2010

#### CONFIRMATIONS, RECEPTIONS & GIFTS TO DISCRETIONARY FUND

Location	Church	Confirmations	Receptions	Gifts
Albion	St. John's	1	0	
Bloomington	St. Matthew's	14	1	
Carbondale	St. Andrew's	0	0	\$20.00
Centralia	St. John's	3	0	
Marion	St. James'	1	0	
Mt. Vernon	Trinity	1	0	
Salem	St. Thomas'	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	
Synod Offering				<u>\$738.00</u>
<b>Total – Confirmations/Receptions/Gifts</b>		<b>21</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>\$758.00</b>

#### CLERGY RECEIVED

The Very Rev. Gus L. Franklin	01/25/2010	Quincy
The Rev. Margaret Joan Garcia	01/29/2010	Rio Grande

#### CLERGY TRANSFERRED

The Rev. Joel A. Prather	07/08/2010	Dallas
The Rev. Anthony B. Holder	12/27/2010	Southeast Florida

#### POSTULANTS FOR HOLY ORDERS

Linda Nelson	08/22/2007	St. Stephen's, Harrisburg
Carolyn Rauschert	02/25/2009	St. James', Marion

#### CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS

David Saad	02/25/2009	St. Mary's, Robinson
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#### SUMMARY OF MINISTRY IN 2010

Holy Communion Celebration	470	Number of Sermons	376
Assist at Holy Communion	180	Counseling Session	247
Morning/Evening Prayer	25	Lectures	84
Baptisms	16	Pastoral Visits	722
Marriages	8	Burials	34
Presented for Rec./Conf.	76	Other	23

## LICENSED LAY MINISTRIES

### ALBION. ST. JOHN'S

#### *Worship Leader*

Puckett, Judith (13) Scherer, Holly (13)  
Scherer, Dan (13) Tribe, Richard (13)

### ALTON, EPISCOPAL PARISH

#### *Worship Leader*

Bumbacher, Steve (12) Fisher, Tom (13) Lukasik, Susan (13)

#### *Eucharistic Minister*

Alexander, Melissa (11) Lukasik, Susan (12) Eagleton, William (13)  
Criteser, Gerald (11) Bryant, William (13) Fisher, Donna (13)  
Elkins, Alvin (11) Bryant, Gay (13) Jones, Maurice (13)  
Martin, Diane (11) Derricott, Rod (13) Napp, Richard (13)  
Bumbacher, Steve (12) Eagleton, Kareen (13)  
Cobetto, Joseph (12) Eagleton, Tim (13)

#### *Eucharistic Visitor*

Bumbacher, Steve (13) Fisher, Tom (13)

### BELLEVILLE, ST. GEORGE'S

#### *Eucharistic Minister*

Boschert, John T. (11) Evans, Martha (13) Lynk, Cindy (13)  
Jesenick, Craig (11) Heiting, Gail (13) Massie, Robert Sr. (13)  
Meyer, Chelsea (11) Helber, Shirley (13) Paeltz, Theresa (13)  
Schneider, George (11) Hooten, Joseph (13) Rogers, Elisabeth (13)  
Bono, Joseph (13) Laedlein, Charles (13) Rogers, Franklin (13)  
Cattaneo, Mickey (13) Ludwick, Carol (13) Slocomb, Richard (13)

#### *Eucharistic Visitor*

Boschert, John T. (11) Helber, Shirley (13) Rogers, Franklin (13)  
Brown, Margaret (13) Korte, Becky (13)  
Heiting, Gail (13) Korte, Kevin (13)

### BLOOMINGTON, ST. MATTHEW'S

#### *Worship Leader*

Carroll, Martha (12) DeMerritt, Paul (12) Rayfield, Jo Ann (12)  
Chandler, Bruce (12) Iliff, John (12) Sokan, Ann (12)  
Chandler, Janet (12) Kohlhase, Robert (12) Stuckey, Charles (12)  
DeGooyer, Sylvia (12) Palm, Charles (12) Thomas, Linda (12)

#### *Eucharistic Minister*

Chandler, Janet (11) Gordinier, Kyle (11) Thomas, Linda (11)

***Eucharistic Visitor***

Chandler, Janet (11)

Gordinier, Kyle (11)

Thomas, Linda (11)

**CAIRO, CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER**

**CARBONDALE, ST. ANDREW'S**

***Eucharistic Minister***

Ackerman, Kenneth (12)

Ewing, Norma (12)

Monty, Donald (12)

Ballestro, Don (12)

Lindquist, Ken (12)

Utz, Carole (12)

Curtis, Leslie (12)

Means, Jay (12)

Wortham, Lee (12)

**CARLINVILLE, ST. PAUL'S**

***Worship Leader***

Clark, Larry F. (12)

Bettmann, Elisabeth (13)

Zimmerman, Melvin (12)

Shaw, Mary Alice (13)

***Eucharistic Minister***

Clark, Larry F. (12)

Bettmann, Elisabeth (13)

Zimmerman, Melvin (12)

Shaw, Mary Alice (13)

***Eucharistic Visitor***

Clark, Larry F. (12)

Bettmann, Elisabeth (13)

Zimmerman, Melvin (12)

Shaw, Mary Alice (13)

**CENTRALIA, ST. JOHN'S**

***Worship Leader***

Walsh, Thomas (13)

***Eucharistic Minister***

Carter, Keith O'Dell (12)

**CHAMPAIGN, CHAPEL OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE**

***Eucharistic Minister***

Mulhall, Kay (12)

Murray, Jesse (13)

Shellhamer, David (13)

Swift, Stephanie (12)

Prisland, Ann (13)

Smith, Joseph (13)

Buzard, John (13)

Reedy, Frances (13)

Smith, LaVerne (13)

Kellman, Julia (13)

Schroeder, Jacob (13)

Townsend, Matthew (13)

**CHAMPAIGN, EMMANUEL MEMORIAL**

**DANVILLE, THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY**

**DECATUR, ST. JOHN'S**

***Worship Leader***

Ellison, Robert (12)

***Eucharistic Minister***

Causey, Robert (12)  
Coventry, Dee (12)  
Davis, Dona (12)  
Earp, Karen (12)

Ellison, Judy (12)  
Ellison, Robert (12)  
Gucker, Doug (12)  
Gucker, Jane (12)

Henry, John (12)  
Keith, James (12)  
Lancaster, Wilbur (12)

***Eucharistic Visitor***

Ellison, Robert (12)

Gucker, Doug (12)

Gucker, Jane (12)

**EDWARDSVILLE, ST. ANDREW'S**

***Eucharistic Minister***

Atwood, Tom (13)  
Babb, Kevin (13)  
Buckley, Susan (13)  
Burns, Miriam (13)  
Donald, Elizabeth (13)  
Donald, Ralph (13)

Dudding, Keith (13)  
Edwards, Elizabeth (13)  
Ireland, Donna (13)  
Nabe, JoAnn (13)  
Sauermann, Candace (13)  
Smithson, Marian (13)

Soule, George (13)  
Travis, Paula (13)  
Warren, Matthew (13)  
Wilson, Rudy (13)

***Eucharistic Visitor***

Greve, Lance (11)  
Buckley, Susan (13)

Burns, Miriam (13)  
Greve, Margaret (13)

**EFFINGHAM, ST. LAURENCE**

**GLEN CARBON, ST. THOMAS'**

***Worship Leader***

Goossens, Gary (12)

Goossens, Jan (12)

***Eucharistic Minister***

Foster, Linda (12)

***Eucharistic Visitor***

Goossens, Jan (12)

Voruz, Michelle (12)

**GRANITE CITY, ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S**

***Eucharistic Minister***

Wickham, Nancy (12)

**HARRISBURG, ST. STEPHEN'S**

**HAVANA, ST. BARNABAS'**

***Eucharistic Minister***

Haley, Grant (12)  
Opp, Mark (12)

Pietrzak, Bob (12)  
Runyon, Keith (12)

Stephens, Shirley (12)

**JACKSONVILLE, TRINITY**

**LINCOLN, TRINITY**

***Worship Leader***

Dickerson, Jan (11)

DeLoriea, William (12)

Wachtel, Stacie (12)

***Eucharistic Minister***

Bree, Bill (11)

Fuhrer, Steve (11)

Shouse, Vickie (11)

Burbage, Ellen (11)

Gossett, Bill (11)

Wachtel, Stacie (11)

Dickerson, Jan (11)

Romberg, Dorothy (11)

DiPasquali, Jennifer (12)

***Eucharistic Visitor***

Shouse, Vickie (11)

Wickline, Galen (12)

**MARION, ST. JAMES'**

***Eucharistic Minister***

Followell, Leon (11)

Followell, Lori Lynn (11)

Kammerer, Henry A. (13)

**MATTON, TRINITY**

**McLEANSBORO, ST. JAMES**

**MORTON, ALL SAINTS'**

***Worship Leader***

Chapin, Margaret (11)

Jackson, Gwendolyn (11)

Shiple, Beth (11)

Diemer, Gary (11)

Jackson, Vivienne (11)

Vogelsang, Margaret (11)

Diemer, Sheryl (11)

Mayhoff, Joseph (11)

Webber, Patricia (11)

Fitzpatrick, Katrina (11)

Placko, Judy (11)

Webber, Philip (11)

***Eucharistic Minister***

Diemer, Gary (11)

Placko, Judy (11)

Webber, Philip (11)

Diemer, Sheryl (11)

Shiple, Beth (11)

Vogelsang, Margaret (12)

Fitzpatrick, Katrina (11)

Smith-Jones, Roberta (11)

***Eucharistic Visitor***

Diemer, Gary (11)

Placko, Judy (11)

Webber, Philip (11)

Diemer, Sheryl (11)

Shiple, Beth (11)

Vogelsang, Margaret (12)

Fitzpatrick, Katrina (11)

Smith-Jones, Roberta (11)

**MT. CARMEL, ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

**MT. VERNON, TRINITY**

***Worship Leader***

Tucker, Deborah K. (11)

Wagner, Nancy (13)

***Eucharistic Minister***

Campbell, Anne (11)

Adams, James (12)

***Eucharistic Visitor***

Campbell, Anne (12)

Pace, E. Minor (12)

Schelosky, Esther (13)

**NORMAL, CHRIST THE KING**

**O'FALLON, ST. MICHAEL'S**

***Worship Leader***

Fabry, Kristen (11)

Gore, Harry (13)

MacNeill, Robert (12)

Waight, Mark (13)

***Eucharistic Minister***

Fabry, Kristen (11)

MacNeill, Robert (12)

Waight, Mark (13)

Payne, Judy (11)

Gore, Harry (13)

***Eucharistic Visitor***

Baltz, Beverly (12)

Evans, Marge (12)

Clark, Roberta (12)

Harris, Daniel (12)

**PARIS, ST. ANDREW'S**

**PEKIN, ST. PAUL'S**

***Eucharistic Minister***

Wilson, Jim (13)

***Eucharistic Visitor***

Wilson, Jim (13)

Wilson, Kelly (13)

**RANTOUL, ST. CHRISTOPHER'S**

**ROBINSON, ST. MARY'S**

***Worship Leader***

Polley, Donna (13)

Rains, R. J. (13)

Frank, Cindi (13)

**SALEM, ST. THOMAS'**

**SPRINGFIELD, CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PAUL**

***Eucharistic Minister***

Blase, Susan (11)

Kichinko, Martha (11)

Torgerson, Kevin (11)

Hoover, Nora (11)

Potts, Barber (11)

***Eucharistic Visitor***

Blase, Susan (11)

Ledbetter, Bill (12)

Torgerson, Kevin (12)

**SPRINGFIELD, CHRIST CHURCH**

***Eucharistic Minister***

Cornelius, James (11)

**SPRINGFIELD, ST. LUKE'S**

***Worship Leader***

Jarosz, Fred (11)

Meek, Harold (11)

Sherman, Pete (11)

***Eucharistic Minister***

Meek, Harold (11)

Hopper, Marian (12)

Moore, Patrick (13)

Hopper, David (12)

Allen, Bettie (13)

***Eucharistic Visitor***

Heitman, Tucker (12)

**WEST FRANKFORT, ST. MARK'S**

***Eucharistic Minister***

Cleland, Marilyn (11)

Nicklin, Matthew Allen (12)

Vital Statistics 10

City	Congregation	Active Members	Communicants in Good Standing	Others Active	Average Sunday Attendance	Sunday Eucharists	Baptisms 16 & Up	Baptisms Under 16	Confirmed or Received
Albion	St. John's	16	16	1	12	41	0	0	1
Alton	St. Paul's	349	299	20	100	95	1	4	0
Belleville	St. George's	500	332	0	140	103	0	2	0
Bloomington	St. Matthew's	565	305	10	142	112	0	3	15
Cairo	Church of the Redeemer	7	5	27	13	32	0	0	0
Carbondale	St. Andrew's	67	65	0	37	60	0	0	0
Carlinville	St. Paul's	51	30	3	27	102	0	0	0
Centralia	St. John's	42	37	4	13	52	0	0	3
Champaign	Chapel of St. John the Divine	656	436	366	286	101	0	4	0
Champaign	Emmanuel Memorial	222	214	14	96	98	3	2	0
Chesterfield	St. Peter's	18	11	0	8	51	0	0	0
Danville	Holy Trinity	138	102	0	45	0	0	3	0
Decatur	St. John's	218	158	0	94	103	0	0	0
Edwardsville	St. Andrew's	224	157	43	87	88	0	1	0
Effingham	St. Laurence's	3	3	5	7	52	0	0	0
Glen Carbon	St. Thomas'	96	41	0	33	53	0	3	0
Granite City	St. Bartholomew's	36	24	1	14	51	0	0	0
Harrisburg	St. Stephen's	27	23	1	17	53	0	0	0
Havana	St. Barnabas'	84	29	0	26	84	0	0	0
Jacksonville	Trinity	107	79	9	58	103	0	2	0
Lincoln	Trinity	104	90	3	40	85	0	2	0
Marion	St. James'	32	29	4	20	56	0	0	1
Mattoon	Trinity	31	31	1	28	48	0	0	0
McLeansboro	St. James'	12	10	1	6	47	0	0	0
Morton	All Saints'	53	53	0	31	51	0	0	0
Mt. Carmel	St. John the Baptist	261	115	5	45	52	0	0	1
Mt. Vernon	Trinity	42	42	8	15	53	0	0	0
Normal	Christ the King	137	123	0	69	51	0	0	0
O'Fallon	St. Michael's	218	226	8	83	52	1	3	0
Paris	St. Andrew's	5	5	2	4	18	0	0	0
Pekin	St. Paul's	58	50	3	35	50	0	0	0
Rantoul	St. Christopher's	32	22	1	17	50	0	0	0
Robinson	S. Mary's	19	14	1	13	40	1	2	3
Salem	St. Thomas'	61	46	2	28	46	0	1	3
Springfield	Cathedral Church of St. Paul	418	321	14	113	101	0	2	0
Springfield	Christ Church	130	130	0	73	102	0	1	0
Springfield	St. Luke's	156	127	12	66	154	0	1	0
W. Frankfort	St. Mark's	52	35	1	20	52	0	0	0
<b>Grand Total</b>		5,247	3,835	570	1,961	2,542	6	36	27

Financial Statistics 10

City	Congregation	Plate & Pledge Income	Operating Revenue	Total Revenue	Operating Expense	To the Diocese	Outreach & Development	Total Expense
Albion	St. John's	5,376	6,379	6,379	7,466	0	127	7,466
Alton	St. Paul's	179,898	203,363	218,778	236,184	29,856	0	251,599
Belleville	St. George's	257,239	260,509	260,509	265,387	39,076	2,500	265,387
Bloomington	St. Matthew's	227,358	246,191	259,063	287,829	36,944	1,200	309,887
Cairo	Church of the Redeemer	3,966	6,578	6,668	15,223	3,517	40	17,348
Carbondale	St. Andrew's	103,354	109,277	118,426	123,943	15,490	1,751	130,237
Carlinville	St. Paul's	52,457	93,976	94,591	97,239	5,000	0	98,930
Centralia	St. John's	24,472	25,147	25,852	19,444	3,767	0	20,899
Champaign	Chapel of St. John the Divine	126,538	260,544	340,700	260,491	39,812	0	331,983
Champaign	Emmanuel Memorial	423,859	505,020	540,843	490,590	65,754	18,391	521,552
Chesterfield	St. Peter's	5,234	7,248	11,867	8,922	846	0	8,942
Danville	Holy Trinity	34,505	72,520	72,520	70,824	7,470	0	70,824
Decatur	St. John's	254,967	298,475	542,672	336,450	46,419	3,000	380,726
Edwardsville	St. Andrew's	194,459	201,859	205,104	201,181	27,000	799	202,501
Effingham	St. Laurence's	15,161	20,561	22,757	13,450	850	11,412	20,455
Glen Carbon	St. Thomas'	51,182	51,182	51,182	46,738	0	0	51,804
Granite City	St. Bartholomew's	14,638	28,517	28,817	30,140	5,200	0	30,368
Harrisburg	St. Stephen's	33,688	35,310	44,519	29,987	16,000	1,952	31,802
Havana	St. Barnabas'	37,294	103,881	110,179	96,889	0	0	97,037
Jacksonville	Trinity	77,989	265,224	269,638	266,842	38,789	6,220	270,125
Lincoln	Trinity	102,321	132,038	133,658	121,072	19,551	0	121,072
Marion	St. James'	20,417	24,526	28,274	27,769	10,014	2,625	34,849
Mattoon	Trinity	56,006	56,006	85,364	54,975	8,400	502	86,888
McLeansboro	St. James'	14,974	20,046	20,046	23,621	2,302	338	23,721
Morton	All Saints'	55,737	60,007	60,268	54,847	5,464	200	55,283
Mt. Carmel	St. John the Baptist	26,235	329,857	330,890	151,384	42,420	0	156,682
Mt. Vernon	Trinity	110,228	110,603	127,794	111,404	16,590	3,700	112,402
Normal	Christ the King	171,705	178,472	180,977	180,880	14,940	6,979	180,930
O'Fallon	St. Michael's	151,184	177,804	185,285	178,363	7,500	3,851	182,619
Paris	St. Andrew's	0	16,220	16,220	13,816	0	285	15,405
Pekin	St. Paul's	1,175	112,908	146,288	110,370	16,942	1,695	168,461
Rantoul	St. Christopher's	18,354	23,468	23,468	21,755	1,000	0	21,755
Robinson	S. Mary's	14,152	15,585	15,585	9,654	0	0	9,989
Salem	St. Thomas'	32,576	32,576	34,437	34,437	2,700	0	34,437
Springfield	Cathedral Church of St. Paul	258,141	263,974	319,714	391,776	39,596	0	391,776
Springfield	Christ Church	189,584	443,269	444,404	393,404	50,004	0	409,686
Springfield	St. Luke's	57,884	61,206	99,579	67,889	8,100	9,478	100,225
W. Frankfort	St. Mark's	27,544	29,086	29,658	32,659	3,543	700	32,847
<b>Grand Total</b>		3,431,851	4,889,412	5,512,973	4,885,294	630,856	77,745	5,258,899