



# The Episcopal Diocese of Springfield

## Standing Committee

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Dear Clergy and Diocesan Family:

Upon reflection, Bishop Beckwith has decided that he would prefer not to proceed with the previously scheduled celebration of his ministry. With respect for the Bishop's decision and with thanksgiving for his ministry among us, the Standing Committee has decided to cancel the event scheduled for Saturday, February 27, 2010.

Please share this information with your congregations and do keep the Bishop and Melinda in your prayers as they make this transition. May God grant them health, happiness and a long and fulfilling retirement.

Every Blessing!

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