

DIOCESAN DAY OF PRAYER
for
THE ELECTION OF THE SECOND BISHOP
of
THE ANGLICAN DIOCESE IN NEW ENGLAND
Saturday, May 26, 2018

10AM-2PM at All Saints Cathedral,
or in the parishes and homes of the diocese

10AM Gathering and Fellowship
Worship and Praise

Suggested Hymnal 1940 hymns:

- #270 – Praise to the Lord, The Almighty
- #281 – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
- #282 – Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven
- #286 – Praise to the Living God
- #288 – O Worship The King, All Glorious Above
- #296 – For the Beauty of the Earth
- #301 – Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
- #347 – Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

The Word of God

Acts 20:17-35; 1 Timothy 3:1-7; Matthew 28:18-30

Opening Prayer

O Great and Mighty God, Who bestows all good gifts and who anoints leaders to lead Your church and advance Your Kingdom, graciously guide the minds and hearts of those who will choose a new bishop for this Diocese. We pray that by Your Holy Spirit the Committee on Nominations for Bishop will seek and act wholeheartedly in Holy wisdom, discernment, and clarity, as they do the work of presenting a candidate for the office of Bishop in the Anglican Diocese of New England. Let them follow in the examples of faith set forth by our Savior and his Apostles to trust in your provision of the person whom You desire to fulfill this office. Lord, bless and guard the candidates that, from among them, we would receive a shepherd who, by Your power, will protect, feed and tend the flock of Christ. Grant us grace to obediently follow them, receiving in unity Your chosen leader. Go before them and us, that by Your grace, help and favor, we may continue the work You have prepared for us to do, that we Your church may bring honor and glory to Your holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

10:30 Intercession for The ADNE from Daily Prayers for the Bishop Process

Monday:

Pray with thanksgiving for the fruitful ministry and faithful witness of Bishop Bill Murdoch. Pray that he may be filled with fresh vision in this new season for him and his family.

Tuesday:

Pray for the ADNE standing committee, that they would be filled with the Spirit's wisdom as they help to lead the ADNE through this transition.

Wednesday:

Pray for the Committee on Nominations for Bishop, that the Lord would call and fill each member with the Spirit of discernment and joy in the work. May their hearts be filled with love for Christ and His church.

11:00 Small Group Prayer – including Zoom (Join URL: <https://zoom.us/j/500381338>)

Prayer for prayer requests from Bishop Murdoch

Prayer for the Committee on Nominations for Bishop

Prayer for Episcopal Transition Dates/Events

May 26, 2018	Diocesan Day of Prayer
May 31, 2018	Final Slate of Candidates given to Standing Committee
September 22, 2018	Diocesan Day of Prayer
October 4-6, 2018	Candidates “Walk About”
November 17, 2018	Episcopal Election at Synod
January 9, 2019	College of Bishops Ratification
March 16m, 2019	ADNE Episcopal Consecration

Prayer for one another

12M Midday Prayer, with requests placed on altar

12:30 Lunch (provided or purchased)

1:00 Intercession for The ADNE from Daily Prayers for the Bishop Process

Thursday:

Pray for the Synod of the ADNE, for our clergy and lay delegates; that they may be filled with the Spirit of discernment, unity, and love for Christ and His church.

Friday:

Pray for God's chosen candidate for Bishop, that he may readily answer the call of Christ. May the Lord fill Him with every good gift from the Spirit, that he may have vision and be equipped to lead us forward in mission in New England.

Saturday:

Pray for the ADNE, and all of Christ's church across New England; that the Kingdom of God would be made manifest through us, that our hearts would be set on fire with love for Christ and a desire for the Holy Spirit to move, that the Lord would give us, the church, a deep passion to see the lost saved, and that the Spirit would anoint laborers and church planters across New England to bring the transforming love of Jesus Christ.

1:45 Silent listening prayer, followed by an open time of prayer

2:00 Closing Prayer

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on Your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of Your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by Him through Whom all things were made, Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(BCP Liturgy for the Ordination of a Bishop)

The occasion for this Day of Prayer is a meeting of the Committee on Nominations for Bishop at Diocesan House this May 25-26 to draw up the final slate of candidates for presentation to the Standing Committee on May 31. Those wishing to be in prayer during the duration of this meeting are encouraged to do so on Friday the 25th from 5-9PM, and on Saturday the 26th from 9AM – 3PM. May you be blessed in your praying!

~ Nathan Baxter, Francis Capitanio, Len Cowan, Susan Currie, Susan Skillen