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STANDING COMMITTEE: Canon IV

The Rev. Robert Anthony 2007  Mr. Benjamin Harris
The Rev. Sandra Haines-Murdocco 2008  Mr. William Plumb
The Rev. Jennifer West 2009  Mr. Franklin Cook
The Rev. William Locke 2010  Ms. Lora MacFall

DIOCESAN COUNCIL: Canon VI

ELECTED BY CONVENTION
(5 Clergy, 4 Lay, staggered 3-year terms)

The Rev. David Ames 2007  Mr. James Segovis
The Rev. Pamela Gregory 2007
The Rev. Michael Lemons 2008  Mr. Dennis Stark
The Rev. Daryl Stahl 2008
The Rev. Scott Gunn 2009  Ms. Jane Jellison
2009  Mr. Benjamin West

DIOCESAN COUNCIL - APPOINTED BY BISHOP
(3 Clerical, 3 Lay, staggered 3-years terms)

The Rev. Canon Harry Krauss 2007  Mr. Bruce Livingston
The Rev. Dcn. LeRoy (Buck) Close 2008  Mr. John Kolarik
The Rev. Christopher Epperson 2009  Margaret Thomas

Ex officio
The Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf
The Chancellor, Mr. Edmund C. Bennett, Esq.
The Treasurer, Mr. Robert Batchelor, CPA
Commission on Finance, The Rev. Dn. Ted Hallenbeck
President, Standing Committee, The Rev. Robert Anthony
COMMISSION ON FINANCE  Canon VII.1

**Elected** (1 clerical, 2 lay)  
The Rev. Dcn. Ted Hallenbeck 2007  
Ms. Shirley Sibielski 2008  
Mr. Brian Ehlers 2009  

**Appointed** (1 clerical, 2 lay)  
The Rev. Bob Brooks  
Mr. Scott Nicholson  
vacant  

**Ex officio**  
The Bishop,  
The Chancellor  
The Treasurer  
The Comptroller  

ECCLESIASTICAL COURT  Canon XVI.3 (4 clerical, 3 lay, nominated by Bishop, confirmed by Convention, 4 year terms)

The Rev. John Van Siclen 2007  
The Rev. Robert Anthony 2008  
The Rev Michael Lemons 2009  
The Rev Stephanie Shoemaker 2010  
Ms. Mary Heffner  
Ms. Joan Skeffington  
The Hon. Scott Avedisian  

COMMISSION ON CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT  Canon VII.2

**Elected** (3 Clerical, 3 Lay, staggered 3-years terms)  
The Rev. Phil Tierney 2007  
The Rev. Gregory Cole 2008  
The Rev Evangeline Anderson 2009  
Ms. Jeanne Mason  
Mr. Richmond Robinson  
John Bilotta  

**Appointed**  
Nominated by Bishop, Confirmed by Convention  
(3 clerical, 3 lay, staggered 3-years terms)  
The Rev. Pamela Gregory 2007  
The Rev. Peter Mayer 2008  
The Rev. Donald Parker 2009  
Mr. Robert Wells  
Mr. John Bilotta  
Ms. Merredyth Nadeau  

The Bishop (Ex-Officio)  
Ms. Betsy Fornal (Ex-Officio)  
The Rev. Cn. Richard Bardusch (Ex-Officio)
COMMISSION ON MINISTRY Canon VII.3 (6 clerical, 6 lay; nominated by Bishop, confirmed by Convention. Staggered 3-years terms)

The Rev. Wayne Runner 2007 Mr. Phillip Masquelette
The Rev. Pamela Mott 2008 Ms. Beverly Hall
The Rev. Alcide Barnaby 2008 Ms. Dorothy Wells
The Rev. Dcn. Barbara Mays-Stock 2009 Ms. Annette Cox
The Rev. Jennifer Pedrick 2009 Mr. Rick Robinson

COMMISSION ON INVESTMENTS Canon VII.4 (3 Clerical, 6 Lay. Nominated by Council, confirmed by Convention, staggered 3-years terms)

The Rev. Jennifer West 2007 Mr. Howard Merriman
2007 Mr. Austin Smith
The Rev. Gregory Cole 2008 Ms. Francis Gammel-Roach
2008 Mr. Robert Robinson
vacant 2009 Ms. Gail Ginnetty
2009 Mr. Charles Lee

The Bishop (Ex-Officio)
The Chancellor (Ex-Officio)
The Treasurer (Ex-Officio)

COMMISSION ON CHURCH ARCHITECTURE Canon VII.5 (2 clerical, 4 lay, two to be architects or engineers, staggered 3-years terms)

Currently vacant

COMMISSION ON SUPPLEMENTARY BENEFITS Canon VII.6 (3 clerical, 2 lay, staggered 5-year terms)

Ms. Marilyn Sales 2007
Ms. Nancy R. Brown-Cobb 2008
The Rev. Daniel Burke 2009
The Rev. Harrington Gordon 2010
The Rev. Gordon Stenning (Chair) 2011

The Comptroller (Ex-Officio)
The Assistant Treasurer (Ex-Officio)
**Committee on Admissions** Canon II.3 (1 clerical, 2 lay, staggered 3-years terms)

- Vacant 2007, vacant
- Ms. Carol Ann Bennett (Chair) 2008, vacant
- Vacant 2009, vacant

**Committee on Canons** Canon II.4 (3 Clerical, 3 lay, staggered 3-years terms)

- The Chancellor (ex-officio) vacant 2007, Mr. Sydney Clifford
- The Rev. Dcn. Margaret Higbie 2008, Mr. Joel Harrington
- Vacant 2009, vacant

**Committee on Agenda** Canon II.5 (at least 3 persons)

- The Bishop
- The Chancellor
- The Secretary of Convention
- The Canon to the Ordinary

**Committee on Resolutions** Canon II.6 (3 clerical, 3 lay, staggered 3-years terms)

- The Rev. Jonathan Ostman 2007, Ms. Dorothy Wells
- Vacant 2008, Ms. Carol Ann Bennett
- Vacant 2009, vacant

**Committee on Elections** Canon II.7 (3 clerical, 3 lay, staggered 3-years terms)

- The Rev. Gregory Cole 2007, Ms. Evelyn Brchan
- The Rev. Jennifer West 2008, Mr. Howard Merriman
- Vacant 2009, vacant

The Convention Manager (Ex-Officio)
The Secretary (Ex-Officio)
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Deans: The Rev. Alcide Barnaby / Mr. Robert Goff

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The two hundred sixteenth meeting of the Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island began with a reception and dinner at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, October 27, 2006, at Rhodes on the Pawtuxet, Cranston. The theme for this year’s Convention was *Lighten The World.*

Following dinner, Ms. Peggy Amatore, Director for Episcopal Charities, and Ms. Joan DeCelles, Assistant Treasurer, were recognized by the Bishop for 25 years of service to the diocese. They each were presented with a gift in recognition of their work, and the Bishop thanked them for their dedication. She commented, “I thank them for their expertise to the Diocese and their affection to all of you.” The Bishop reported that Episcopal Charities is currently at the level of $451,000 and needs another $100,000 to attain their goal for this year.

Bishop Wolf introduced the speaker for the evening, The Rev. Michael Kinman, Director of Episcopalians for Global Reconciliation, who spoke on the subject of the Millennium Development Goals (MDG’s) and the national Episcopal Church’s role in participation. Rev. Kinman said that we, as Episcopalians, start with God revealed in Jesus Christ, and that is why the MDG’s are a blueprint for becoming a brand new church. In successive General Conventions, the Episcopal Church has committed itself to the elimination of extreme global poverty by working through the MDG’s. The goals were developed by the leaders of the world’s nations, in cooperation with the United Nations. The goals are:

1. Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger.
2. Achieve universal primary education.
3. Promote gender equality and empower women.
4. Reduce child mortality.
5. Improve maternal health.
7. Ensure environmental stability
8. Develop a global partnership for development.

Rev. Kinman ended by saying that it is important to do this work, not because we should, but because we can. It is only when we give our lives away, that we are rich. To find out more about Episcopalians for Global Reconciliation, please see [www.E4GR.org](http://www.E4GR.org).
Convention reconvened on Saturday, October 28, 2006 at 8:30 a.m. with a celebration of the Holy Eucharist. The preacher for the celebration was The Rev. Michael Kinman, Director of Episcopalians for Global Reconciliation.

Convention was called to order at 9:45 AM with prayer. The Chancellor noted that all clerical and lay delegates are entitled to voice and vote and that all Deputies to General Convention, all officers of the Diocese and all Chairs of Commissions of the Diocese are entitled to a seat and voice, but not a vote, unless they are otherwise members of the Convention. He also observed that the Convention is open to all persons unless otherwise ordered by Convention. He said that the Convention is governed by the Constitution, Canons, and Standing Rules of Order of this Diocese. In addition, he also proposed that for Resolutions, there will be a limit of 15 minutes for two (2) speakers, then one (1) minute thereafter to allow as many as possible to speak. This motion was moved, seconded and approved. He asked all speakers to identify themselves by giving their names and congregational affiliation. He further said that any “late resolution” should be given to Ms. Carol Ann Bennett, the chair of the Committee on Resolutions.

The Secretary reported that there was a quorum present, at least one-third of the clergy were present and one-third of all parishes and missions were represented by at least one delegate. Ms. MaryAnn Kolakowski then moved that the Agenda for the 216th Annual Convention be hereby approved as presented. The motion was passed.

Rev. Sandra Haines-Murdocco, Church of the Ascension, Wakefield, made a motion that the Agenda be revised, to allow item # 16 (original agenda) Resolutions, including Late Resolutions be moved to become Item # 11 on the agenda, thence moving all items down one place accordingly. Discussion followed. Rev. Phil Devens, All Saints, Warwick commented that he supports this so that more time can be allowed for discussion of resolutions. The Chancellor commented that, thought it may not be readily apparent at first glance, the order of agenda provided for some resolutions to come out of Committee Reports. The motion was moved, seconded and approved.

Ms. Evelyn Brchan, chair of the Elections Committee then presented a slate of nominations for election:

Standing Committee: Choose 1 from the Clerical order. 4-year term
The candidates:
The Rev. Peter Mayer
The Rev. Willaim Locke
Total number votes cast: 193; Total number votes to win: 97. Rev. Mayer: 74; Rev. Locke: 119. The Rev. William Locke was elected.

Standing Committee: Choose 1 from the Lay order 4-year term
   Ms. Lora Miller MacFall*

Diocesan Council: Choose 1 from the Clerical order. 3-year term
   The Rev. Barbara Mays-Stock
   The Rev. Scott Gunn

Diocesan Council: Choose 2 from the Lay order. 3-year term.
   Mr. Mr. Benjamin H. West
   Ms. Margaret Thomas
   Ms. M. Jeanne Mason
   Ms. Jane E. Jellison
Ms. Jane E. Jellison and Mr. Benjamin H. West were elected.

Commission on Finance. 3-year term.
   Mr. Brian Ehlers*

Commission on Congregational Development: Clerical order. 3-year term.
   The Rev. Evangeline Anderson*

The Bishop thanked all of those who allowed their names to be put forward for nomination.

*Since the number of nominees for the Laity on Standing Committee, and the open positions for Commission on Finance and Commission on Congregational Development equals the number of vacancies to be filled, Convention voted to declare those nominees elected.
The Bishop then introduced the seminarians of the Diocese

Mr. Dennis Bucco, Senior at General Seminary  
Ms. Susan Carpenter, Middler, General Seminary  
Ms. Meaghan Kelly, Senior at Virginia Seminary  
Mr. James McKay, Junior at EDS  
The Rev. Dcn. M. P. Schnieder, Senior at General Seminary  

Following that, she introduced those who are in the Deacon Formation Program.  
Ms. Joan Collins from St. James’, No. Providence.  
Mr. Mark Warner from St. Paul’s, No. Kingstown.  
Mr. Robert Kerr from St. Peter’s-by-the-Sea, Narragansett  

Postulants:  
Ms. Ann Burke  
Ms. Joan Dorney Collins  
Ms. Modesta Pellot  
Mr. Mark Warter  

She then recognized the Diocesan Staff present at Convention and acknowledged the tremendous amount of work that they did in preparation for this Convention. The Bishop noted staff changes. Ms. MaryAnn Kolakowski has become the Interim Resource Center Director. Ms. Sue Hurn is Interim Director of ECC. Ms. Jessica Gates is Communications Assistant to Scott Gunn for the Diocese.  

The Bishop welcomed clergy new to the Diocese since the last Convention.  
The Rev. Christopher Epperson, Rector, St Colomba’s Chapel, Middletown  
The Rev. Kevin M. Lloyd, Rector, St. Matthew’s, Jamestown  
The Rev. Peter Mayer, Rector, Emmanuel, Cumberland  
The Rev. Deacon Greg Lisby, Assistant, St. Martin’s, Providence  

Ordinations:  
The Rev. Dorothy “Ricky” L Brightman, Vocational Deacon, St. Luke’s E.G.  
Convention then moved to hearing the Bishop’s address. A copy of this address follows these minutes.

The Bishop called upon Ms. Carol Ann Bennett to present the report of the Committee on Admissions. The Committee on Admissions has received two requests for admissions.

The first is from St. Augustine’s in Kingston, currently a mission. St. Augustine’s requests admission as a parish. The Committee proposes the following resolution:

**Resolved:** That St. Augustine’s in Kingston is hereby approved as a parish in union with Convention upon the issuance of a certificate of admission by the Bishop.

The resolution was moved and seconded. It was requested that we acknowledge all past clergy and laity at St. Augustine’s. The Resolution for parish status was approved.

The second request is from Mission Episcopal el Mesias in Providence, requesting admission as a mission. The Committee proposes the following resolution:

**Resolved:** That Mission Episcopal el Mesias in Providence is hereby approved as a mission in union with Convention upon the issuance of a certificate of admission by the Bishop. The resolution was moved and seconded. The Resolution for Mission status was approved.

Report of the Treasurer, Adoption of 2005 financial statements and motion to approve financial statements of the Diocese of RI for calendar year 2005. Mr. Robert Bachelor, Treasurer of the Diocese, gave his report for the year 2005. At the end of this he moved that the financial statements of the Diocese of Rhode Island for the calendar year 2004 are hereby approved as presented. This was seconded and approved.

The Bishop commended Mr. Batchelor and thanked him for his hard work in making sure that the Diocese financial status is always sound.

The Report of the Committee on Program and Budget; The Rev. J. Gregory Prior, Chair

The Budget was moved, seconded. A discussion followed.

**An amendment** was presented, as follows: To restore 2006 levels of ACI chaplaincy for 2007 and to increase by the cost of living thereafter.
Ray LaPointe, Trinity, North Scituate suggested that 0.7% MDG’s come from apportionment only—check this in video.

The Rev. Joyce Penfield, St. Peter and Andrew, Providence and ACI Chaplaincy spoke against the budget’s line item for the ACI being reduced over three years, and said that we are backing off of our commitment to the ACI by eliminating the Episcopal chaplaincy at the ACI by the second year of the Triennial budget. At present, she said that 5% of the State budget is for rehabilitation at the ACI.

The Rev. Mary Canavan, Calvary, No. Scituate said that the MDG’s appeal to every Christian, but to remove the ACI budget is troublesome and asks in the form of an amendment, that we take another look at the budget. This was seconded. The Rev. Marsue Harris and Ms. Cindy Thomas spoke in favor of the amendment. Mr. Michael Bergeron, St Michael & Grace spoke in support and suggested the reduction of 5% will reduce the staff by one (1) in the Episcopal Charities Office in order to re-fund $26,000 to the ACI budget. The Bishop commented that the two positions at the Charities office are funded by totally restricted funds, to be used for that purpose only. Rev. Ricky Brightman, St. Luke’s East Greenwich suggested that if parishes pay apportionment, we could re-evaluate this situation year to year to see if it can be adjusted.

The Rev. Jennifer Philips, Vicar, St. Augustine’s Kingston proposed an amendment to the amendment as follows: That up to $30,000 be moved from the Resource Center line item (59) and be used for the funding of the ACI line item, along with any year end budget surplus. After discussion, it was voted as follows: Hand vote taken; Yea- 74 Nay- 95 Amendment to the amendment defeated. Discussion went back to the original amendment (above). The question was called. The amendment was approved in a voice vote. The Bishop commented that the Diocesan Council will take up the issue of looking at the budget to accommodate this change, and it undoubtedly will mean adjustments to the budget as it appears presently.

The Bishop then called on Ms. Carol Anne Bennett, chair of the Committee on Resolutions.

She presented this resolution for consideration:

Note: Resolution #1 has already been presented by the Standing Committee and approved. Resolution #9 Amendment of Canon 9 of the Canons, has already been presented by the Committee on Canons and approved.
I. TITLE: ADOPTION OF POLICIES FOR PRUDENT MANAGEMENT OF ENDOWMENT AND INSTITUTIONAL FUNDS

RESOLVED, That the 216th Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island recommends to all parishes, missions and institutions of the Diocese the adoption of appropriate policies for the prudent management of endowment and other institutional funds and further recommends that withdrawals from endowment and institutional funds in any one year not exceed an amount greater than seven (7) percent of the fair market value of the endowment or other institutional funds, calculated on the basis of market values determined quarterly and averaged over a period of three (3) years immediately preceding the year in which the withdrawal is made.


Moved and seconded. Discussion:
The Rev. Robert Anthony, Christ Church, Westerly, spoke to the resolution. He said we cannot enforce this at the present time, but they wanted to caution congregations about spending down endowments. The Rev. Marc Dobson, St. Mary’s Warwick, spoke against the resolution, saying that 7% endowment spending is too severe for his congregation. Mr. Robert Batchelor spoke in favor of the resolution. The resolution was approved.

II. TITLE: STUDY OF THE APPORTIONMENT SYSTEM OF THE DIOCESE

(Forwarded without recommendation)

RESOLVED, That an ad-hoc Commission be established to study the structure and pattern of the diocesan apportionment system, to consider how the proportionate share of the expenses of the Diocese might better recognize and be considerate of the differences among our several parishes; that the Commission be appointed by the Bishop with the consent of Diocesan Council and consist of five (5) members: one representative of Diocesan Council, one representative of the Commission on Finance, one representative of the Budget Committee, one cleric and one lay person, and that the Treasurer, the Comptroller and the Canon to the Ordinary shall be ex-officio members; that the Commission study diocesan support systems in use throughout the Church and submit an interim report to the 217th Diocesan Convention in 2007 and a Final Report proposing any changes the Commission may deem appropriate to the 218th Diocesan Convention in 2008, in a timely fashion, so that any changes that may be adopted might be implemented in the next three-year budget cycle.

SUBMITTED BY: The Rev. Philip J. Tierney on behalf of the Narragansett Deanery.
Moved and Seconded. Discussion:
The Rev. Daryl Stahl, Interim, Holy Trinity, Tiverton, said that we should look to the connection between stewardship and apportionment. The Rev. Philip Tierney, Rector, St. Paul’s, North Kingstown, Rev. Edwin (Ted) Hallenbeck, Retired Deacon and Rev. Sandra Haines-Murdocc, Rector, Church of the Ascension, Wakefield, spoke in support of the resolution. The resolution was approved.

III. TITLE: MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS
(Committee recommends approval)
RESOLVED. That in the diocese, each congregation and all parishioners are urged to commit to 0.7% giving toward these goals by July 7, 2007; and be it further

RESOLVED. That the last Sunday after Pentecost be designated as a day of special prayer for mobilizing Episcopalians toward the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals.

SUBMITTED BY: The Rev. R. Craig Burlington, Deputation to General Convention. Moved and seconded. The resolution was approved.

IV. TITLE: SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY IN INVESTMENTS
(Forwarded without recommendation)
RESOLVED. That the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island appoint a Social Responsibility in Investments (SRI) Committee whose mandate shall be the following:

To review and study the social policies of the Episcopal Church (USA) with regard to Investments as enumerated in Proxy Voting and the Mission of the Church (by Peace & Justice Ministries of ECUSA, 2000); in Engage God’s Mission: Policy for Action: The Social Policies of the Episcopal Church, USA (2003) and in Corporate Engagement By the Episcopal Church on Issues Related to Israel and the Palestinian Territories (by The SRI Committee to the Executive Council, 2005),

To develop a comprehensive set of recommendations as to how the diocese can operationalize and implement these social policies in the investment of diocesan assets;

To report its findings to the 217th Annual Convention of the Diocese in 2007 for approval and action.

The SRI Committee will be appointed by Diocesan Council by December 1, 2006. The signers of this resolution hereby offer their participation and call upon the diocese to draw upon the competence and interests of our laity and clergy to constitute a committee capable of giving these issues the widest and wisest possible consideration. Membership should also include representatives of the Diocesan Investment Trust (DIT), Commission on Finance and the Standing Committee.
Moved and seconded. Discussion:
The Rev. Robert Brooks, Rector, Grace Church, Providence and Rev. Philip Tierney, Rector, St. Paul’s North Kingstown, spoke in favor of the resolution. Rev. James Bocchino, All Saints, Providence, said that he (and some others) had not received explanations of the resolutions prior to convention day. It was reported that all delegates received the full explanations in the final packets for Convention in early October. The resolution was approved.

V. TITLE: DEVELOPING YOUNG ADULT LEADERS  
(Forwarded without recommendation)
RESOLVED, That the 216th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island urges the Nominating Committee of every congregation to seek out young adults, under the age of 30, to serve on vestries, boards and committees and be it further

RESOLVED, That established leaders are urged to offer their experience as mentors for emerging leaders.

SUBMITTED BY: The Rev. R. Craig Burlington, Deputation to General Convention
Moved and seconded. The resolution was approved.

VI. TITLE: COMPANION DIOCESE  
(Forwarded without recommendation)
RESOLVED, That the 216th Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island affirm its commitment to the establishment of a relationship with a companion diocese and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Guidelines for Companion Link Relationships in the Anglican Communion be used in a process of conversation, study, prayer and discernment by a committee working together with Bishop Wolf and the people of the Diocese of Rhode Island, and be it further

RESOLVED, That this committee be charged with reporting its findings and recommendations to Diocesan Council prior to Convention 2007.

SUBMITTED BY: Mr. Milton Schumacher, Trinity, North Scituate
Moved and seconded. The resolution was approved.
Noonday prayers and the reading of the Necrology followed. Convention then recessed for lunch.

Convention came to order again at 1:15 p.m.

VII. TITLE: THE WAR IN IRAQ
(Forwarded without recommendation)

RESOLVED, That this Convention urge the U.S. Congress to announce a timetable for the prompt withdrawal of American Armed Forces from Iraq; and be it further

RESOLVED, That U.S. resources be directed to re-building the infrastructure of Iraq in order to promote the security and well-being of Iraqi citizens; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the United States facilitate international efforts to resolve the conflicts in Iraq; and be it further

RESOLVED, That returning U.S. personnel be given the medical care and economic support and opportunities that they have merited by their valiant service under extremely difficult circumstances.

SUBMITTED BY: The Rev. David Ames, St. Mark’s, Riverside; Ms. Lee Jenney, Cathedral of St. John, Providence; Ms. Priscilla Read, Cathedral of St. John, Providence.

Moved, Seconded. Discussion:
The Bishop asked for clarification as to why this was sent from the Committee on Resolutions without recommendation. Ms. Bennett answered that the language contained a lot of baggage and the committee wondered about its usefulness. Rev. David Ames, Interim, St. Mark’s Riverside, mentioned that The Rev. Charles Neal Goldsborough and the Rev. Jeff Jenks are both serving in Iraq at present, and then spoke in favor of the resolution. The Rev. Mark Dobson, St. Mary’s Warwick, spoke against the resolution because it carries a lot of political baggage intervening with the government’s work is a violation of the division of church and state. George Parent, Christ Church, Westerly, spoke in support of the resolution. Ruth Toolan, St. Peter’s By the Sea, Narragansett, spoke against the resolution because it only says “Iraq” and not “Afghanistan.” She proposed an amendment to add in the word, “Afghanistan” to the text. The Rev. Richard Morgan, Vicar, St. Matthias’, Coventry, not supportive of the amendment. Ann Hamm, St. Michael’s Bristol spoke in support of the resolution and said that this resolution is similar to the one from General Convention. The Rev. Phil Devens, All Saints, Warwick, spoke in support of the resolution, but not the amendment. Ms. Priscilla Read and Ms. Lee Jenny, Cathedral of St. John spoke against the amendment.
The amendment was defeated. Another amendment was proposed, as follows: In the first resolve, add in “to take pro-active steps to end our participation in Iraq as soon as possible.” The amendment was defeated.
A friendly amendment was made to include, “and Administration” to the text of the first resolve. This was approved. It now reads:

**RESOLVED.** That this Convention urge the U.S. Congress and Administration to announce a timetable for the prompt withdrawal of American Armed Forces from Iraq; and be it further

**RESOLVED.** That U.S. resources be directed to re-building the infrastructure of Iraq in order to promote the security and well-being of Iraqi citizens; and be it further

**RESOLVED.** That the United States facilitate international efforts to resolve the conflicts in Iraq; and be it further

**RESOLVED.** That returning U.S. personnel be given the medical care and economic support and opportunities that they have merited by their valiant service under extremely difficult circumstances.

The resolution with above stated amendment was approved.

**VIII. TITLE: HOLY LAND**

(Forwarded without recommendation)

**RESOLVED.** That the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island set up a Committee for Peace in the Holy Land whose goal is to explore how we might contribute to the quest for a lasting peace based upon justice, equity and human rights for the people of Israel and Palestine. The Committee’s mandate shall be the following:

- **To study** the history of the conflict in the last century and the current impasse;
- **To educate** Episcopalians in Rhode Island on these issues through a series of speakers and public discussions;
- **To review** the policies of the Episcopal Church, U.S.A. with regard to this conflict as set forth in *Engage God’s Mission Policy for Action: The Social Policies of the Episcopal Church, U.S.A.* and in *Corporate Engagement by the Episcopal church on Issues Related to Israel and the Palestinian Territories: A Report with Recommendations* (October 3, 2005) by the Social Responsibility in Investments Committee of Executive Council; and
- **To develop** a consensus as to how the moral and financial resources of this Diocese could contribute to the search for peace in this region.

This committee shall be appointed by Diocesan Council by December 1, 2006 and will report its specific recommendations to the Diocesan Convention 2007 for approval and action. The sponsors of this resolution hereby offer their participation and call upon the Diocese to draw upon the competence and interests of our laity and clergy to constitute a committee capable of giving these issues the widest and wisest possible consideration.

**SUBMITTED BY:** The Rev. David Ames, St. Mark’s, Riverside; The Rev. Dn. Dorothy Brightman, St. Luke’s, East Greenwich; The Rev. Daryl Stahl, Holy Trinity,
Moved and seconded. Discussion:
A friendly amendment was made by Rev. James Bocchino, All Saints, Providence that the date in the resolution be changed from December 1, 2006 to January 15, 2007 for practical reasons. This was accepted. The resolution now reads:

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This committee shall be appointed by Diocesan Council by January 15, 2007 and will report its specific recommendations to the Diocesan Convention 2007 for approval and action. The sponsors of this resolution hereby offer their participation and call upon the Diocese to draw upon the competence and interests of our laity and clergy to constitute a committee capable of giving these issues the widest and wisest possible consideration.

Further discussion: Mr. Steven Rous, Trinity Church, Newport spoke against the right of return of all Palestinians, and Ms. Priscilla Read responded that this was part of a quote, not wording from their resolution. The Rev. Ricky Brightman, St. Luke’s East Greenwich, spoke in support of the resolution, saying that sending this to Diocesan Council was a way of going to action. An amendment was presented saying, “in consultation with our Jewish brothers.” The Rev. Robert Brooks, Grace Church, Providence spoke against the amendment because it did not include Muslims and Palestinians. The Rev. Marc Dobson, St Mary’s Warwick, spoke against the amendment and the resolution because he feels that this is out of our area of expertise. The Rev.
Mary Ann Dolan, Non-parochial, spoke against the amendment. The amendment was defeated. 
The resolution as above, with friendly amendment was approved.

**Late Resolution**

The Committee received one late resolution, Distribution of Diocesan Convention Materials to Delegates. Copies of this resolution were available at registration.

**LATE RESOLUTION:** Distribution of Diocesan Convention Materials to Delegates

RESOLVED, That all materials pertaining to the Diocesan Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island, including but not exclusive of the proposed budget and resolutions and changes to the three-year budget, be in the hands of the delegates of said Convention not less than thirty (30) days before the date of Convention.

It was required that a 2/3 majority accept the late resolution. The vote approved the acceptance of the late resolution for consideration.

The resolution was moved and seconded. After a short discussion, the resolution was rescinded by Rev. Alcide Barnaby, St. James, North Providence, and the following substitute resolution was put in its place:

**LATE RESOLUTION:** Distribution of Diocesan Convention Materials to Delegates

RESOLVED, That a committee be appointed to look at collecting and distributing materials for Diocesan Convention and in the hands of the delegates at least 30 days in advance of Convention.

The resolution was moved, seconded. Discussion:
Rev. James Bocchino, All Saints, Providence, spoke in support of the resolution and asked that the scheduling of convention go to this committee. Rev. James Frink, Priest-in-charge, Church of the Ascension, Cranston, had questions about timing issues with the mailing. Ms. Carol Frink, Trinity, North Scituate, offered a friendly amendment that “including electronically” be added. This was approved. The resolution now reads:
RESOLVED, That a committee be appointed to look at collecting and distributing materials (including electronically) for Diocesan Convention and in the hands of the delegates at least 30 days in advance of Convention.

The resolution was approved.

IX. TITLE: AMENDMENT OF CANON 9 OF THE CANONS

RESOLVED, That the 216th Convention of The Diocese of Rhode Island hereby amends Canon 9 of the Canons of the Diocese of Rhode Island in its entirety so that as amended Canon 9 is as follows:

CATHEDRAL CHURCH

9.1. Cathedral. The Cathedral of St. John shall be the Cathedral Church of the Diocese (the “Cathedral”).

9.2. Governing Body. The Cathedral shall be incorporated under the laws of the State of Rhode Island. The Cathedral shall have a Chapter which shall constitute the governing body to manage the affairs of the Cathedral in accordance with the articles of incorporation and other governing documents.

9.3. Membership of Chapter. The number and terms of members of the Chapter shall be determined under by-laws of the Cathedral and shall include the following:
   a. The Bishop and Dean of the Cathedral as ex-officio voting members;
   b. Six individuals elected by the Cathedral Congregation; and
   c. Four individuals elected by Diocesan Council upon nomination by the Bishop.

9.4. Governing Documents. The Cathedral shall be subject to the laws, discipline and usages of The Episcopal Church and to the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church and the Diocese. The Chapter shall adopt by-laws for the governance of the Cathedral subject to the written consent of the Bishop.


This Resolution was referred to the Committee on Canons, who approved it. 
The resolution was moved and seconded. Discussion:
Rev. James Bocchino, All Saints, Providence, asked for clarification for “ex-officio voting members.” Ms. Adrienne Southgate, Senior Warden of The Cathedral of Saint John was given permission to speak to the resolution, and supported it.
The Resolution was accepted.

Bishop Wolf introduced the Rev. Katherine Rumens, Rector of St. Giles’ Cripplegate, London. Rev. Rumens is visiting the United States to observe women in charge of ministries within the Episcopal Church. She is rector of one of the few remaining medieval church in the city of London.
**Please note** The following reports are attached in the Appendix at the end of the minutes.

Report of the Commission on Investments, given by the Chancellor for Ms. Frances Gammell-Roach, Chair.


Report of the Task Force on New Directions

Report of Deputation to General Convention of the Episcopal Church

Report of the Committee on Canons

**Elections of Officers and Members of Commission on Investments**

**Secretary**- Motion from the Floor of Convention for The Rev. Dcn. Barbara Mays-Stock.

[Resolved: That The Rev. Dcn. Barbara Mays-Stock is hereby elected Secretary of the Diocese of Rhode Island for a term of one year, and until her successor is chosen and qualified, death, resignation, or removal, whichever shall first occur.]

Moved, seconded and approved

**Treasurer**- Motion from the Floor of Convention for Mr. Robert L. G. Batchelor.

[Resolved: That The Rev. Dcn. Barbara Mays-Stock is hereby elected Treasurer of the Diocese of Rhode Island for a term of one year, and until his successor is chosen and qualified, death, resignation, or removal, whichever shall first occur.]

Moved, seconded and approved

**Elections- Commission on Investments**

Nomination by Diocesan Council

Ms. Gail A. Ginnetty

Mr. Charles P. Lee

[Resolved: That Ms. Gail A. Ginnetty and Mr. Charles P. Lee are hereby elected to the Commission on Investments, each for a term of three years, and until their successor is chosen and qualified, death, resignation, or removal, whichever shall first occur.]

Moved, seconded and approved
**Elections for Ecclesiastical Trial Court**

Nomination by The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf, for a term of four years

The Rev. Stephanie Shoemaker
The Hon. Scott Avedesian

[Resolved: That The Rev. Stephanie Shoemaker and The Hon. Scott Avedesian are hereby elected to the Ecclesiastical Court, each for a term of four years, and until their successor is chosen and qualified, death, resignation, or removal, whichever shall first occur.]

Moved, seconded and approved

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**Confirmations**

- The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf

---Commission on Ministry, nominated by The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf

For term of three years:

Ms. Annette Cox
Rev. Jennifer Pedrick
Mr. Richmond Robinson
The Rev. Dcn. Barbara Mays-Stock

For a term of two years:

The Rev. Alcide Barnaby

For a term of one year:

The Rev. Richard Shippee

[Resolved: That Annette Cox, Jennifer Pedrick, Richmond Robinson and Barbara Mays-Stock for a term of three years, Alcide Barnaby, Jr. for a term of two years, and Richard Shippee for a term of one year are hereby confirmed as members of the Commission on Ministry, and until their successors are chosen and qualified, death, resignation, or removal, whichever shall first occur.]

Moved, seconded and approved

---Commission on Congregational Development nomination by The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf, for a term of three years:

Meredith Nadan
Rev. Donald Parker
Rev. Peter Mayer
[**Resolved:** That Meredith Nadan, Rev. Donald Parker and Rev. Peter Mayer are hereby confirmed as members of the Commission on Congregational Development for a term of three years, and until their successors are chosen and qualified, death, resignation, or removal, whichever shall first occur.]

**Chancellor** nomination by The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf

   Edmund C. Bennett

[**Resolved:** That Edmund C. Bennett is hereby confirmed as Chancellor for a term of one year, until their successors is chosen and qualified, death, resignation, or removal, whichever shall first occur.]

**Appointments** – The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf

   -- **Committee to Audit Minutes**
   The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf
   The Rt. Rev. David B. Joslin
   Mr. Edmund C. Bennett

**Report of the Committee on Resolutions—Courtesy**

   Ms. Carol Ann Bennett

Resolved, that the 216th Diocesan Convention congratulates The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf on the tenth anniversary of her consecration as Bishop of Rhode Island and assures her of our affection, prayers and support for her ministry among us, and be it further

Resolved, that this convention expresses its appreciation to The Rt. Rev. David B. Joslin, Assisting Bishop of Rhode Island, for his continued ministry among us, and be it further

Resolved, that this Convention extends its greetings and prayers to our Presiding Bishop, The Most Reverend Frank T. Griswold, III; to the Rt. Rev. Katherine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop-Elect; and to the Most Reverend Rowan Williams, Archbishop of Canterbury, as they work for reconciliation in the Anglican Communion, and be it further

Resolved, that the Convention extends its greetings of affection and prayers to The Rt. Rev. George Hunt, retired Bishop of Rhode Island, and his wife, Barbara, and be it further
Resolved, that this Convention send greetings to Bishop Thomas J. Tobin and to our sisters and brothers in Christ in the Roman catholic Diocese of Providence, assuring them of our continuing prayers and appreciation for their ministry in our state and be it further

Resolved, that this Convention extends its appreciation to the Rev. Michael Kinman and expresses its enthusiastic support for his caring and worldwide ministry, and be it further

Resolved, that this Convention congratulates the Rev. Hebert Bolles on the 55th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood, and the Revs. Harrington Gordon, Gordon Stenning, Richard Reid and the Rt. Rev. George N. Hunt on the 50th anniversary of their ordinations to the priesthood, and be it further

Resolved, that this Convention expresses its appreciation to the members of the Bishop’s staff for their careful work in preparation for this Convention and for their faithful ministry to all of us and for our Diocese, and be it further

Resolved, that this Convention sends greetings and congratulations to Saint Paul’s Church in Wickford on the 300th anniversary of its founding as a parish, and to Saint Augustine’s Chapel, on the 50th anniversary of their founding.

We move adoption of these resolutions.

Moved, seconded and approved.

Convention 2007 - The 217th Annual Convention shall be held on October 26-27, 2007

Closing Prayers
The Convention adjourned at 2:45 PM

Respectfully submitted
The Rev. Dcn. Barbara Mays-Stock
Secretary of Convention
The Lord said to Jeremiah,
Stand at the crossroads, and look,
and ask for the ancient paths,
where the good way lies; and walk in it,
and find rest for your souls. (Jeremiah 6:16a)

Our Church and Diocese are standing at a crossroad, at the intersection of competing theological claims and differing interpretations of scripture and polity, of the complex relationship between interdependence and independence, autonomy and the common good.

The world is also standing at a crossroads. Through almost instant communications what is said in one nation is known in all. When war and destruction visit upon one country, refugees flee to another. The rise and fall of major currencies alters the exchange rates around the globe. Bird flu in Asia can reach our soil on the next international flight. What direction is God calling us to follow? What turns must we take?

Today we cross thresholds of technology unimaginable even five years ago. Every institution is affected, not least, the church. We keep in delicate balance the blessings of the ancient paths and the fruits of the present age; the values we inherited, and scientific discoveries that are as exciting as they are bewildering. As we traverse this landscape we are met with challenges and decisions for which we are only partially prepared. We stand where the roads cross, faced with decisions for which there are few easy answers.

Part of the present distress in the church is determining how we will discover the path that God wants us to follow. When our personal preferences, experiences, and emotions dictate the direction we choose, it is easy to get lost. When the map is filled with struggles for power and claims of absolute truth, we will not find the way. Evil spirits often come dressed as good, and good spirits may often seem evil. Our Adversary the Devil is an expert in deception. Only together as the Church will we discern the spirits and discover the wisdom of the ancient paths and God’s vision for our future.

Last year, our Diocese stood at a crossroads, recognizing that we needed to take a fresh look at our mission and ministry for the years ahead. In response to the Bridgebuilders Report, Diocesan Council exercised strong, imaginative leadership in developing new directions for our common life. I’m pleased to report that Council did not put the report on the shelf, and there isn’t a bit of dust on its covers. Lora MacFall, convener of the New Directions Task Force, will discuss their work in greater detail this afternoon.

Congregations have also crossed thresholds.
When the Church of the Messiah merged with Grace Church this past June, Messiah had strong leadership, an endowment, a building in good condition, and a half-time priest. Some of you may be wondering why they did such a foolish thing. I’ll tell you why. They looked down the road two years and realized that their endowment would be almost depleted. They looked at each other and realized that they didn’t have the numbers to sustain gospel ministry. They admitted that the church isn’t about buildings but about faith in Jesus Christ and his mission. That’s why they merged.

That’s why St. Martin’s, Pawtucket and St. Michael and Grace, Rumford will become one congregation. They want more than survival: they want ministry and mission, church school and choir, Christian education for all ages, and a robust community with which to live the faith.

You may be surprised to learn that, in each of these cases, initial misgivings slowly turned to lively discourse and genuine excitement. The thought of merging churches unleashes many strong emotions, but we trust that ultimately the manager of all change is Christ himself. So, we pray to God to manage our hearts and minds, not for ourselves alone, but for the good of the Church.

Church members are often suspicious about working with another congregation, thinking that they are too different from each other. They come from a different economic class, their worship is different. One doesn’t have a Christmas Bazaar the other does have a May Breakfast, their pews are uncomfortable, and there is too much past history between them. Saints on earth, if we who profess to believe in the values of diversity, forgiveness and reconciliation can’t live together, how can we speak of peace to others? How can we pass resolutions for peace half way around the world, when we can hardly talk to the parish two miles away? Unity is Jesus’ gift to us, living in unity is our gift to Jesus. Perhaps you cannot love the other, but will you allow Jesus to love the other through you? It is a critical spiritual question that we must take seriously if we are to witness to the gospel with integrity.

Many of you believe that mergers and closings suggest defeat and death. For Christians death is not an end, but a threshold, a point of crossing over, of entering a new and risen life. An example of this comes through The Church of the Epiphany, Providence. The Church is in need of almost four million dollars to repair its buildings. This work is well beyond the means of the congregation. With the vicar and representatives of the mission, we are working with Greater Elmwood Neighborhood Services, investigating ways to develop the site for desperately needed low income housing units. The diocese would lease the land to the corporation, who would develop the site. A feasibility study and environmental assessment are currently underway. Partnerships such as these address our commitment to the poor, and allow for the continuation of Episcopal ministry in this part of the city. They are examples of how we can creatively transform our resources.

A sub-committee of Diocesan Council is working on guidelines for the disposition of buildings and the use of funds so that the mission of the merged churches, and the
mission of the diocese share common resources for purposes of Church growth throughout our state.

Did you know that there are three churches in our diocese that are considering increasing the capacity of their church and program areas to meet the demands of growth? We have to be ready for them, and for planting new churches in parts of Rhode Island that are earmarked for demographic growth.

I’m eager to share with you three church communities who are poised to cross significant thresholds.

St. Augustine, Kingston is moving from mission to parish status upon consent of this convention. For three consecutive years they have had a combination of revitalized ministry and mission, a healthy budget that includes apportionment giving, and the faithful and skilled leadership of a full time vicar, soon to become rector. The laity is hard working, and devoted to the continued growth and outreach of this congregation.

Last year, about 18 people began a Sunday afternoon celebration of the Holy Eucharist in Spanish. They are now a hundred strong and have asked to become organized as a mission. They have already informed me that they are preparing fifty people for Confirmation. The unrelenting work of the Hispanic Mission Committee deserves the gratitude of all of us. With the consent of this convention Mision Episcopal el Mesias will become the first new mission in this diocese in many years.

Three hundred years ago, strong faith and a lively vision led a group of people to place a church in what is now Narragansett. They soon decided to move the Old Narragansett Church to Wickford, later building St. Paul’s across the street. Last Sunday, I had the privilege to celebrate and preach in both churches in celebration of the beginning of their tercentenary year.

Every parish and mission wants a robust ministry, young people, new members, mission activity, more money, congregational development, education, and a priest as wonderful as Fr. Smith was in 1964. Except for Fr. Smith’s return, you can have it all. One thing we know, when energy is dedicated to survival, no one survives for long. When energy is in the service of new life, creativity and hope abound. New life comes with the surrender of old securities, and the embrace of an unknown and risky future. Christianity is about the person and about the community. Each of us has personal needs and desires, but the Church is larger than any one person or group. Our faith tradition believes that personal sacrifice leads to good, and doing good is a personal sacrifice worth making.

I know you don’t like to talk about money, but I do. Money buys mission. It buys opportunity and hope, education and shelter, food and water. Money allows people to make choices, even to make mistakes. Money leads to personal liberty, and freedom from disease, to mobility and a sense of self worth. God is so generous that he gives us everything and lets us keep 90%. And what about that other 10%? Well, he entrusts us to
give it away; to join him in bringing the Kingdom of God to our time and place. It’s what we call tithing.

Do you know that Rhode Islanders spend $1,600 per person, per year on gambling? Our average pledge is $1,087 per household. Our state spends the most on gambling and the least in pledging of all the states and dioceses in our country. It’s time for us to lose both these distinctions. A re-dedication to the common good will revitalize the local church, and our diocesan mission. I know that you think that you would have a thriving church if only you didn’t have to pay the apportionment. But, I don’t believe it. Only generosity begets generosity. I bid you to consider increasing your pledge by at least 10%.

During the budget hearings, a suggestion was raised that we decrease the number of staff. I’ve taken the proposal seriously, and a reduction in Diocesan staff is part of this budget. It will become the smallest staff we’ve had in over twenty years. I’m not sure we’ll be able to manage, unless we have your assistance. Here is how you can help:

- Please send parochial reports in on time. We are missing some from 2003, 2004, and 2005. Without the reports we have inaccurate attendance figures, and it’s difficult to prepare the budget.

- Please send in your audit reports. The due date was September 1st and we’re missing 25.

- Please return requests on time for the number of those to be confirmed and received so that we don’t have to make significant changes a few days before the event.

- Please don’t complain if you receive a turkey sandwich today and you don’t like it. All those who did not check a preference for lunch are getting turkey.

- Please send your apportionment in on time, and if you haven’t paid your apportionment yet, don’t complain when your favorite program was cut or modified in the budget.

- Please send in your reports and registrations for convention sooner next year. We can’t send the Convention packet unless things are sent to the office on time. Over forty requests for last night’s dinner arrived since Monday, long after the deadline had passed and the numbers had been given to the caterer.

Well, I’ve gotten that off my chest. I’m sure parish secretaries and priests could echo many of these same remarks. When we commit ourselves to be responsible to one another, we all benefit.

Hispanic Ministry, Congregational Development, the implementation of New Directions, and the Episcopal Conference Center were our goals for this year. I am delighted to say that the first three of these areas have developed beyond my expectations. As many of
you know, the interim director of ECC resigned in the middle of the season. Although there were difficulties, the program barely missed a beat because of the wonderful staff that oversees the camp, and the willingness of Sue Hurn to take over the position of interim director. In spite of a temporary setback, upgrades of cabins are complete, fire codes are met, and work continues towards accreditation with the American Camping Association.

Our diocesan vision is: “Live in Christ: Transform the World.”

It’s not easy to live in Christ. I don’t think that he would have written the book, “I’m okay, you’re okay.” His book would have been, “I’m okay, and you can be better.” Living in Christ is a constant journey from wherever we are to wherever he is. All along the way he loves and forgives us, picks us up and renews a right spirit within us. Can you imagine if “The Episcopal Church Welcomes You,” sign read, “Seeking All Sinners.” It is not that sin is okay, but it is inevitable. It is in recognizing and confessing sin that it becomes possible to cross the threshold to authentic love and forgiveness. For people who live with unremitting shame and guilt, the Church’s witness to Christian forgiveness is an invitation to spiritual and emotional freedom. Good News indeed!

Unity and reconciliation are born from the ability and willingness to forgive. When I was four years old, I lived with my grandparents. My grandmother’s two sisters would frequently come to visit, sitting around the kitchen table drinking cups of tea. After about twenty minutes or so, they would begin to argue. I don’t remember the content of the arguments, but the results were usually the same. Aunt Lilly would start yelling, my grandmother would start crying, and Aunt Roz threatened to leave. Soon after they would vow to never see each other again. However, by the next week, my aunts and uncles returned, and we all sat around the dinner table eating and talking and laughing. I never understood the reason for their strong and passionate emotions, but their ability to forgive and move on was a lesson not wasted on a child. I believe it to be at the heart of authentic love.

Some of you have questioned why I joined twenty other bishops in signing a document stating that I would adhere to the guidelines set forth in the Windsor Report. As a bishop of the Church, I take seriously my vow to maintain the unity of the Church. I signed the document as a personal statement of commitment and not on behalf of the diocese. I know that many of you hold a different perspective, which I honor and respect.

H.L. Mencken wrote book reviews and newspaper articles until the mid-1950’s. He received many letters affirming his work and countless letters of vigorous dissent. I know the feeling. To both friend and foe his response was, “You may be right, (signed) H.L. Mencken.” Recognizing the tension between truth, unity, and claims for justice, I believe that the Windsor Report is the best hope we have to create the space necessary to further the dialogue between the 38 Provinces of the Anglican Communion and to further our interdependent global mission. The Windsor Report offers a fine rehearsal of Anglican theology and I commend it to be studied in all our churches. I never really understood why my great aunts had to fight so much and I really don’t understand why all our
Anglican Communion siblings are fighting now. I suppose that’s the plight of having brothers and sisters.

As I wrote to the clergy and lay leaders, my support of the Windsor Report does not change any of the policies for the process of ordination as set forth in our diocese, nor the manner of calling priests to serve our churches. Rest assured that I have no intention of leaving the Episcopal Church, and look forward to participating in the Institution of The Right Reverend Katharine Jefferts Schori as the 26th Presiding Bishop.

When the world is in such disarray, where governments settle disputes on the battlefield, where children suffer from cruelty and abuse, where the environment is exploited, the Church must witness to reconciliation.

When in our own country 45 million people do not have health insurance; when our possessions become idols and sex a commodity; when the minimum wage leads the worker to maximum deprivation; and the national debt looms over future generations; the Church must witness to a different moral standard.

When we learn of corporate scandal, the abject poverty in the world, the false promises of gambling, the real spoils of war, and the callous treatment of prisoners; the Church must witness to gospel principles and values.

Why? Because war, idolatry, discord, greed, envy, gossip and materialism will never solve our problems nor provide the forgiveness and love we seek. Whether we are speaking of the genocide in Darfur, the seemingly endless struggle in the Middle East, or the widening gap between rich and poor in Rhode Island, the ways of the gospel hold our only hope for the fairness and reconciliation we seek. To be a Christian is to follow the ways, words, and actions of Jesus as we, the Church, can best interpret and understand them. It is to offer ourselves in deep prayer and silence so as to be met by God who has been praying in us all along.

Friends, I am happy to be a Christian. I am happy to be part of the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion. I am very happy to be the Bishop of Rhode Island, accepting the honor and privilege of serving all of you, and receiving with gratitude your trust and affection. The ancient path for all of us is the path of faithfulness. Through faith and commitment, we do not fear roads that intersect, but acknowledge them to be the cross upon which we live for a time. We believe that resurrection will prevail, and the Light of Christ will enlighten the heart of the Church and the darkest corners of the world.

The Lord said to Jeremiah,

Stand at the crossroads, and look,
and ask for the ancient paths,
where the good way lies; and walk in it,
and find rest for your souls. (Jeremiah 6:16a)
NECROLOGY

In particular at this time we remember the following persons, deceased during this past year, who have meant so much to us and to their several congregations. May the souls of these faithful, departed rest in peace, O Lord.

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Standing Committee: Choose 1 from the Clerical order. 4-year term

The candidates:
The Rev. Peter Mayer
The Rev. Willaim Locke


The Rev. William Locke was elected.

Standing Committee: Choose 1 from the Lay order 4-year term

Ms. Lora Miller MacFall*

Diocesan Council: Choose 1 from the Clerical order. 3-year term

The Rev. Barbara Mays-Stock
The Rev. Scott Gunn


The Rev. Scott Gunn was elected.

Diocesan Council: Choose 2 from the Lay order. 3-year term.

Mr. Mr. Benjamin H. West
Ms. Margaret Thomas
Ms. M. Jeanne Mason
Ms. Jane E. Jellison


Mr. West: 122.

Ms. Jane E. Jellison and Mr. Benjamin H. West were elected.

Commission on Finance. 3-year term.

Mr. Brian Ehlers*

Commission on Congregational Development: Clerical order. 3-year term.

The Rev. Evangeline Anderson*
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Musician: Mark Steinbach  Administrator: Deb Mahoney

North Providence  St. Alban’s (See CENTREDALE)

North Providence  St. James
474 Fruit Hill Avenue, 02911-2636 .............................................. 353-2079
Clergy: Alcide Barnaby, Iris E. Mello  Sr. Warden: Lucy Bettencourt
Musician: Dede Bruns  Administrator:

North Scituate  Trinity  ■
251 Danielson Pike, 02857-1906 ................................................. 647-2322
http://www.trinityepiscopalonline.org  •  nstrinity@aol.com .......... (Fax) 647-5158
Clergy: Pamela S. Gregory  Sr. Warden: William Hurry
Musician: Patricia Cichy  Administrator: Nancy Fullerton

Pascoag  Calvary  □
158 Broad Street, 02859-2613 ..................................................... 568-3888
http://www.calvaryepiscopal.us  •  calvary125@aol.com
Clergy: Mary Canavan  Sr. Warden: Amy Ricci
Musician: Deborah Cookson  Secretary:

Pawtucket  Church of the Good Shepherd  ■
490 Broadway, 02860-1340 ....................................................... 723-0408
Clergy: Edward Boucher  Sr. Warden: Roberta Cook
Musician: Caryl Frink  Administrator: Marie St. Jean

Pawtucket  St. Luke’s
670 Weeden Street, 02860-1649 ................................................. 723-9216
http://www.stlukespaw.org
Clergy: John Hall  Sr. Warden: Lawrence Kleven
Musician: Margaret Clark  Administrator: Elaine Oliveira

Pawtucket  St. Paul’s  □
50 Park Place, 02860-4010 ....................................................... 728-4300
http://www.stpaulspawtucket.org  •  stpaulsmychurch1@aol.com ....,(Fax) 728-4318
Clergy: William Locke, Susan Wrathall, Betsy Lesieur  Sr. Warden: Pamela Doheny
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324 East Main Road, 02871-2113  ......................................................... 846-9700
.....................................................................................................(Fax) 846-0092
http://www.saintmarysepiscopalchurch.org  •  smc@saintmarysepiscopalchurch.org
Clergy: Pamela Mott; Virginia Dinsmore  Sr. Warden: Marshall Lundberg
Musician: Winifred Johnson  Administrator: Martha Hulgren
Secretary: Cynthia Amundson

Portsmouth  St. Paul's  □
2679 East Main Road, 02871-2613  .......................................................... 683-1164
http://www.stpaulsportsmouthri.org  •  lindaremdean@earthlink.net
Clergy:  Sr. Warden: Linda Remington
Musician: Marilyn Hambly  Administrator:

Providence  All Saints' Memorial  ■
674 Westminster Street, 02903-4066  .................................................... 751-1747
http://www.allsaintsmemorial.com  •  asmcri@verizon.net  ..........(Fax) 273-4205
Clergy: James R. Bocchino, Edward J. Trafford  Sr. Warden: Robert Lawton
Musician: Barry Turley  Secretary: Grace E. Malaby

Providence  Cathedral of St. John  □
271 North Main Street, 02903-1237  ......................................................... 331-4622
•  info@cathedralofstjohn.org .........................................................(Fax) 831-8425
Clergy: Harry Krauss, III, Barbara Mays-Stock  Sr. Warden: Adrienne Southgate
Musician: Mark Johnson  Administrator: Virginia Williams-LaBoy

Providence  Church of the Epiphany
542 Potters Avenue, 02907-2946  ............................................................ 941-5095
http://www.epiphanyri.com  •
Clergy: Karen A. Fraioli  Sr. Warden: Judith Walker
Musician:  Administrator:

Providence  Grace  □
175 Mathewson Street, 02903-3499  ...................................................... 331-3225
http://www.gracechurchprovidence.org  •  faith.grace@verizon.net ...(Fax) 331-3247
Clergy: Robert Brooks, Richard Bardusch  Sr. Warden: W. Spencer Harber
Musician: Mark Johnson  Administrator: Faith M. Goepfert
Secretary: Joyce Timpson

Providence  Church of the Redeemer  ■
655 Hope Street, 02906-2652  ............................................................... 331-0678
•  jjdrake1@juno.com .................................................................(Fax) 331-0678
Clergy: Jo-Ann J. Drake  Sr. Warden: Anne Bryant
Musician: Richard Alberg  Administrator:

Providence  St. Martin's  ■
50 Orchard Avenue, 02906-5418  ............................................................ 751-2141
http://www.stmartinsprov.org  •  church@stmartins.necoaxmail.com (Fax) 751-0038
Clergy: Clare Fischer-Davies, Greg Lisby  Sr. Warden: Susan Loney
Musician: Jay MacCubbin  Administrator: Lisa Ashe
Providence St. Peter & St. Andrew's
25 Pomona Avenue, 02908-5244 ......................................................... 272-9649
http://www.stpetersandstandrews.org • stpanda25@verizon.net
Clergy: Joyce Penfield Sr. Warden: Betty Sloane
Musician: Gage-David Hansen Administrator: Catherine Calistra

Providence St. Stephen's
114 George Street, 02906-1189 ......................................................... 421-6702
http://www.sstephens.org • office@sstephens.necoxmail.com .......(Fax) 421-6703
Clergy: John D. Alexander, Gardiner H. Shattuck Sr. Warden: Alan Reniere
Musician: James Busby Administrator: Cory MacLean

Riverside St. Mark's
10 Turner Avenue, 02915-4498 ......................................................... 433-0211
http://www.stmarksriverside.org • office@stmarksriverside.org
Clergy: David Ames Sr. Warden: Jim Hummel
Musician: Adam Schneider Administrator: Susan Rossi

Rumford Church of the Epiphany (See EAST PROVIDENCE)

Saunderstown Chapel of St. John the Divine
Willett Road ................................................................. 295-0193
Mail to: P.O. Box 541, 02874-0541 ...........................................(Fax) 667-0098
http://www.stjohnthedivine.homestead.com • chapel@stjohnthedivine.necoxmail.com
Clergy: Stephanie C. Shoemaker Sr. Warden: M. Locke Webster
Musician: Judith Stickney Administrator: Lori Jackson

Tiverton Holy Trinity
1956 Main Road, 02878-4698 ......................................................... 624-4759
http://www.holytrinitychyrcg.org • htccindy@aol.com ...........(Fax) 625-2435
Clergy: Daryl Stahl Sr. Warden: Cheryl Twiss
Musician: Carolyn Howell Administrator: Cindy Cwalina

Wakefield Church of the Ascension
370 Main Street ........................................................................... 783-2911
Mail to: P.O. Box 5248, 02880-5248...........................................(Fax) 789-0792
http://www.AscensionWakefield.org • AscensionW@juno.com
Clergy: Sandra P. Haines-Murdocco Sr. Warden: Peg Collins
Musician: Susan Vasques Administrator: Tim Cummings
Secretary: Nancy Dreier

Warren St. Mark's
16 School Street, 02885-3322 ......................................................... 245-3161
http://www.stmarkswarren.org • stmarksri@yahoo.com ...........(Fax) 475-0674
Clergy: Sr. Warden: Robert Tappero
Musician: Deborah Walmsley Administrator: Diane Donahue

Warwick All Saints'
111 Greenwich Avenue, 02886-1279 ............................................. 739-1238
Clergy: Philip Devens Sr. Warden: Alfred Liddle III
Musician: Patricia Wiggins Secretary: Debbie Allen
**Warwick St. Barnabas** □
3257 Post Road, 02886-7196 ......................................................... 737-4141
- *sntbrnbs@cs.com* .................................................................(Fax) 737-4148
  Clergy: William F. Fraatz  Sr. Warden: Nancy Straight
  Musician:  Administrator:

**Warwick St. Mark’s**
111 West Shore Road, 02889-1102 ............................................ 737-3127
=http://www.stmarksri.org  ●
  Clergy: George Warren  Sr. Warden: Vincent Haight
  Musician: Grace Tetreault  Secretary: Florence Scott

**Warwick St. Mary’s** ■
358 Warwick Neck Avenue, 02889-6000 ..................................... 737-6618
=http://www.stmarysinwarwick.org/intro.htm • *st.mary358@juno.com*
  Clergy: Donald Parker  Sr. Warden: Michael Marsh
  Musician: Lynn Tzitzouris  Secretary: Cheryl Andrews

**Westerly Christ Church** □
7 Elm Street, 02891-2198 ........................................................... 596-0197
=http://www.christchurchwesterly.org • *christ-church@verizon.net* ...(Fax) 596-6529
  Clergy: Frederick Nestrock  Sr. Warden: Virginia Bonk
  Musician: George Kent  Administrator: Jeanne MacLaughlin
  Secretary: Linda Nolf

**Wickford, St. Paul’s** (See NORTH KINGSTOWN)

**Woonsocket St. James’**
24 Hamlet Avenue, 02895-4427 ................................................... 762-2222
=http://www.stjameswoonsocket.org • *stjamesw@cox.net* .......(Fax) 762-2230
  Clergy: Eletha Buote-Greig  Sr. Warden: Margot Powell
  Musician: Shirley E.G. Ayers  Administrator: Diane Cardin
Bishop’s Report to the 215th Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island


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### Confirmations/ Receptions

- April 29, 2006 Cathedral of St. John, Providence
- May 6, 2006 St. Michael’s, Bristol

- Confirmed: 140
- Receptions: 20
- Reaffirmations: 5
Postulants
Modesta Pellot
Anne Burke
Mark Warter

Candidates
Susan Carpenter

Ordinations
The Rev. Dn. Dorothy “Ricky” Brightman
The Rev. Susan Lynn Wrathall, Transitional Deacon

Letters Dimissory In
Peter Mayer 11/15/2005
George H. Warren 12/07/2005
Kevin M. Lloyd 03/07/2006
Eletha Buote-Greig 04/19/2006
Christopher L. Epperson 06/11/2006

Letters Dimissory Out
Alan J. R. Neale 12/07/2005
William R. Payton 02/14/2006

Removal from Clergy Rolls
Mark R. Galloway, Priest 06/30/2006 Voluntary Renunciation
The Report of the Standing Committee to the Diocesan Convention

Saturday, October 28, 2006

As canonically constituted, the Standing Committee is comprised of four lay and four clergy members, meeting almost monthly through the year, with an elected president and secretary each serving a one-year term. We serve the Diocese as well as functioning as a Council of Advice to the Bishop as she sees fit. We are pleased that Bishop Wolf has attended nearly every meeting of the Standing Committee when she is available, and we have appreciated a growing sense of partnership with her at her initiative. We act as a kind of watchdog or gatekeeper, certifying canonical requirements regarding Ordination. We are grateful for the three persons forwarded this year from the Commission on Ministry, and we have established an even closer working relationship with C.O.M. It is our function to review calls for election of bishops in other diocese and to ratify the selection of bishops once elected and we usually approve. Matters of clergy discipline fall to our purview in a completely confidential and sensitive manner. It has been our interest to participate in proposed and actual mergers of congregations which is, again, a very complex, sensitive and pastoral matter. We receive reports from Diocesan Council and the Finance Committee. We have worked with the Bridgebuilders Report with follow-through actions undertaken by the Council. We feel the need to review and encourage congregational development and mission strategy within the Diocese, regarding the health of our parishes and missions and the clergy.

Also, it is our work to consider requests from parishes and missions over matters of selling or encumbering church property and assets. Congregations and other Episcopal institutions in the diocese need to secure permission in order to proceed. The Standing Committee worked with the Bishop involving one congregation that has removed itself from the Diocese and National Church this year, and we continue to seek a spirit of openness and cooperation in such trying situations. We remain concerned with the financial and spiritual health of our churches and thus we put before you today, at this convention, the following resolution regarding fiscal responsibility in the matter of the good stewardship of endowment funds, property and other assets committed in trust to congregations. While we realize that we cannot enforce legislation on such matters, at this point, the Standing Committee believes that it should caution Vestries and Bishop's Committees about spending down such assets to the detriment of a congregation's future viability.

I wish to thank our Bishop, the Chancellor, the Diocese staff and our very able members of the Standing Committee this year. I thank you.

Respectfully submitted, The Rev'd Robert W. Anthony, President
The year of 2006 was spent in preparing for our second class of the Learning Community which began in October of 2006 with six leadership teams in attendance – St. George’s, Central Falls; St. Augustine’s, Kingston; Trinity, Newport; Cathedral of St. John, Providence; Grace Church, Providence, and St. Mary’s Church, Warwick. The eight Saturday presentations covered new member incorporation, generational lenses, church vitality, marketing your church, and small group development.

Congregations participating in the first learning community who submitted development plans were Holy Trinity, Scituate; Calvary, Pascoag; St. David’s-on-the-Hill, Cranston; St. Alban’s, Centredale, and St. George’s, Newport. These plans were reviewed by the Commission and the Leadership Teams. Based on the plans, congregations were able to ask for matching grants to help fund new or expanded programs in support of their development plan.

The Commission Members in 2006:
John Bilotta
The Rev. Gregory Cole, Chair
The Rev. Pamela Gregory
Linda Lemons
Jeanne Mason
The Rev. Pamela Mott
Merredythe Nadeau
The Rev. Donald Parker
Rick Robinson
The Rev. Cn. Philip Tierney
Robert Wells

From the staff:
The Rev. Cn. Rich Bardusch
Betsy Fornal
The Commission on Ministry
2006

The role of the Commission on Ministry is to advise and assist the Bishop in the implementation of Title III, Ministry, of the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church. Under the guidance and oversight of the Bishop, the Commission has primary responsibility for the selection, examination, interviewing and evaluation of all applicants for Holy Orders and in the determination of present and future opportunities and needs for the ministry of all baptized people.

In following these guidelines the following work was done by the Commission.

Discernment Program

This program is to help participants learn more about themselves and their gifts and to assist them in finding a path for ministry that is right for them, be it ordained or lay ministry. It is not an evaluation process and while required for those seeking ordination, it is open to all.

In the fall a recruiting letter was sent to all clergy in the Diocese encouraging them to seek out those in their parish community who they thought would benefit from the discernment program. Articles were published in Risen and eRisen encouraging participation in the program. Twenty people responded to the invitation.

The program began with an Introductory Dinner in September for those interested in the program, their spouse, and rector. Following the dinner the program was presented followed by a question and answer session. Thirty-seven people attended the dinner, 20 were people who were interested in the program. Others attending were rectors, spouses, and members of the Commission.

The Discernment Program met monthly from September through April and included the Introductory Dinner, a Quiet Day, programs in Adventure in Awareness, informal dinner with participants, spouses and rectors for fellowship, Christian Formation, Assigned Readings, Trip Through the Prayer Book, and a Closing Event for evaluation and feedback from participants in the program.

Ten people from throughout the Diocese participated in this program and five applied for Postulancy interviews. The following people were accepted to Postulancy: James McKay, St. John’s, Newport; Anne Burke, Christ Church, Westerly; and Modesta Pellot, St. George’s, Central Falls.

The Commission met in June to evaluate the past year and prepare for the upcoming year. The Discernment Program for 2006-2007 was formulated with attention being given to the feedback received from the participants in last year’s program.
Listening Hearts Discernment Groups

In November training was held for Listening Hearts Discernment Groups using the book written by Suzanne Farnham, *Listening Hearts: Discerning Call in Community*. Ms. Beverly Hall oversaw the organization of the training. Fifteen people from throughout the Diocese took this training. The mentors for the training were the Rev. Pamela Gregory and the Rev. Jennifer West.

In turn, these fifteen people were discerners for those in the Discernment Group to explore a sense of call. The group consisted of the convener, three discerners and the focus person (the one who is discerning a call and is a part of the Discernment Program.) The group met for a three hour period for as many times as necessary for the focus person to determine what the call might be.

Deacon Formation Program

The Deacon Formation Program was formed in 2005 with the Rev. Wayne Runner overseeing the program as the dean. The program is carefully designed to meet the academic, practical and spiritual requirements of Title III. The program consists of classes, retreats and practical experiences. Five students were enrolled this year: Dorothy Brightman, Joan Collins, Mark Warter, Anne Burke, and Modesta Pellot. The program is conducted at the Diocesan House.

Overseeing Those Seeking Ordination for Holy Orders

The Commission continues to oversee and work with the following people who are presently in the process of ordination for Holy Orders:

**Priesthood**

Susan Carpenter, Trinity Church, North Scituate, 2nd year, General Theological Seminary
Dennis Bucco, St. Barnabas’ Church, Warwick, 3rd year, General Theological Seminary
Susan Wrathall, St. Paul’s Church, North Kingstown, 3rd year at General Theological Seminary, ordained to Transitional Diaconate on May 25, 2006, serving at St. Paul’s, Pawtucket, ordained to the Priesthood on December 16, 2006, continues to serve at St. Paul’s, Pawtucket
Meaghan Kelly, Grace Church, Providence, 3rd year at Virginia Theological Seminary
M. P. Schneider, St. Stephen’s, Providence, 3rd year at General Theological Seminary
James McKay, St. John’s, Newport, 1st year at Episcopal Divinity School

**Diaconate**

Dorothy Brightman, Cathedral of St. John, Providence, completed 3rd year of Deacon Formation Program, ordained to the Permanent Diaconate on May 25, 2006
Joan Collins, St. Mary’s, East Providence, 2nd year, Deacon Formation Program
Mark Warter, St. Paul’s, Wickford, 2nd year, Deacon Formation Program
Anne Burke, Christ Church, Westerly, 1st year, Deacon Formation Program
Modesta Pellot, St. George’s, Central Falls, 1st year, Deacon Formation Program
Gift for Seminarian

St. Thomas, Alton, gave a monetary gift for a seminarian this year instead of gifting to the rector’s seminary.

Steele Martin Education Fund

The Steele Martin Education Fund received two anonymous gifts, each in the amount of $1,000, bringing the total fund to $9,645. The moneys from the fund are used as needed by seminarians for miscellaneous expenses incurred by being in the ordination process in the Diocese of Rhode Island.

Members of the Commission on Ministry

We would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation for the gifts and hard work of those who served on the Commission:

The Rev. Dn. Linda Cappers
Ms. Annette Cox
Ms. Gretchen Gammons
Ms. Beverly Hall
Mr. Phil Masquelette
The Rev. Alan Maynard
The Rev. Pamela Mott
The Rev. Jennifer Pedrick
Mr. Rick Robinson
The Rev. Wayne Runner
The Rev. John VanSiclen
Ms. Dotty Wells
Geralyn Wolf, ex-officio.

In thanksgiving for the opportunity to serve the Bishop and Diocese in this way,
Ms. Annette Cox
Co-chair
Diocesan Council’s role is to “exercise such powers of the Diocesan Convention between meetings thereof as are necessary to develop and implement the mission, policies, program and budgets of the Diocese of Rhode Island.” (Canon 6)

During the year 2006, Council met as a full body 10 times. There were no meetings in July and August.

The following actions were taken during 2006:

**January 18, 2006**

**2006 Insurance Deductibles**

*RESOLVED*, that the Diocesan Council authorizes the Commission on Finance to subsidize the following Insurance Deductible amounts as noted for parishes participating in the Province I Insurance Program:

- **Directors & Officers/Employment Practices:** In the event of a claim brought against this coverage, a church will be responsible for the first $10,000 and the Diocese the remaining $40,000 of the $50,000 deductible, to a maximum expense of $80,000 to the Diocese in 2006 and
- **Crime:** In the event of a claim brought against this coverage, a church will be responsible for the first $5,000 and the Diocese the remaining $5,000 of the $10,000 deductible, to a maximum expense of $20,000 to the Diocese in 2006.

A motion was made, seconded and so approved to accept this resolution.

**February 15, 2006**

**Church of the Redeemer, Providence – Request for Deanery Reassignment**

The Church of the Redeemer, Providence requests that they be reassigned to the Central Deanery from Blackstone.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to grant their request.

**March 15, 2006**

**Trinity, North Situate – Request for $35,000 Loan.** A motion was made and seconded to grant Trinity Church a $35,000 loan at 6.5% for 10 years as approved by the Commission on Finance. So voted.

**Appointments to Commission on Finance** The Rev. Mark Galloway and Mr. Harry Sacchetti have resigned from Finance. Bishop Wolf submitted the names of Shirley Sibilski and Mr. Scott Nicholson to replace these two vacancies. A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept these appointments.

**Elected Deputies and Alternates to General Convention** There are 4 elected Lay Deputies and 1 Alternate. MaryAnn Kolakowski resigned as an elected Deputy; therefore, Dennis Stark, the Alternate is now a Deputy. However, MaryAnn has since changed her mind. Ed Bennett would like to be elected as the 2nd alternate. A motion was made and seconded “that MaryAnn Kolakowski be first Alternate, Edmund Bennett as second.” So moved.

**April 19, 2006**

**Church of St. Andrew & St. Philip, Coventry**
RESOLVED, that the foregoing understandings with respect to Andrew and Philip are hereby approved and endorsed.
A motion was made, seconded and so voted (with one opposed) to accept this resolution as presented by Edmund Bennett.

May 19, 2006
Old Narragansett Church Boundary Agreement
RESOLVED, that the Treasurer, Robert Batchelor, sign the agreement to give the “sliver” of land in question to the neighbor. A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept this resolution as presented by Edmund Bennett.

Finance – Engineering Study of Parking Lot Retaining Wall at 65 Benefit Street
RESOLVED, that Diocesan Council approve expenditure of $6500 for an engineering study to be performed on the retaining wall of the parking lot at 65 Benefit Street.
A motion was made, seconded and so voted.

June 28, 2006
Loan Request from St. Peter’s-by-the-Sea, Narragansett
Request for Revolving Loan for $100,000 at 7 percent for Five (5) years by St. Peter’s-by-the-Sea, Narragansett – Fire Code Updates. A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept loan.

No meetings held in July and August.

October 18, 2006
Episcopal Charities
Peggy Amatore and The Rev. Gary Lemery were present representing Episcopal Charities. Ms. Amatore reported that 123 agencies applied this year for a total request of over $1 million. Fr. Lemery presented the following two resolutions for Council consideration:
RESOLVED that Diocesan Council approve the Episcopal Charities 2007 Grant Distributions in the amount of $524,900 and
RESOLVED that Diocesan Council approves the action of the Episcopal Charities Board of Trustees for the distribution of funds from the Susan Hudson Memorial Fund for a total of $12,600 as follows:
$2,500 to Grantmakers Council of RI in collaboration with the United Way and other funders, for the Emergency Energy Assistance Plan.
$5,000 to RI State Council of Churches, along with other funders for the Youth Link Program.
$100 to RI Shriners for “Circus Day” for admission of under-privileged children and
$5,000 to Teen 4 Teen Program at St. Martin’s Church, Pawtucket.
A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept these two resolutions.

Finance
A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept the 2007-2009 Budget.
A motion was made, seconded and so voted that Joan T. DeCelles, Assistant Treasurer, be authorized to change employee credit cards from Chase Credit Service to Bank of America, and that she further be authorized to function as the Diocesan authorized person for the account including adding, deleting, changing amounts and speaking to representatives regarding the account.
A question concerning the Brown University Chaplaincy was answered with the information that The Rev. Robert Brooks is in conversation with the Chief Financial Officer at Brown to resolve the issue of the endowment.

**Policy for the Protection of Children and Youth**
Cn. Vanderau presented the policy and background. The Chancellor asked that this be tabled until November in order to give him time to do a thorough legal review. Margaret Thomas noted a couple of items which may be difficult to meet and there was some discussion around the issue of requiring vs encouraging certain steps.

**Clergy Salary Review Committee**
Bishop Wolf presented a slate of names to be appointed to the Clergy Salary Review Committee.
Three clergy and three lay members were appointed, and Council confirmed these appointments:
The Rev. Cn. Harry Krauss, Chair          Ms. Elizabeth Crawley
The Rev. Christopher Epperson            Mr. Keith Hudson
The Rev. Nancy Willis                   Mr. Dennis Stark

**Nominations to Commission on Investments**
Bishop Wolf recommended to Council that two lay members be nominated to the Annual Convention for election to the Commission on Investments. The Council agreed and will submit the names of Ms. Gail Ginnetty and Mr. Charles Lee.

**November 15, 2006**

**Medical Insurance Task Force Report for 2007 Medical Coverage:** on the recommendation of the members of this Task Force, The Rev. James Bocchino, The Rev. David Ames and Ms. Joan DeCelles having reviewed options to reduce the cost of continuing the current coverage and who recommend to shift to a revised plan with increases in co-payments, reducing the increase from 10.39% to 6.11% - A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept the Task Force’s recommendations.

**65 Corp Parking Lot**

**RESOLVED,** that Diocesan Council authorize the Rev. Cn. Vanderau, Mr. Robert Batchelor or Mr. Turnbull to execute a contract on behalf of the Diocese with an engineering firm yet to be determined, at a cost not to exceed $79,500 for Retaining Wall Design at 65 Benefit Street, Providence. A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept this resolution. (The Rev. Daryl Stahl was exempt from the vote and further discussion pertaining to the retaining wall because he resides at the condominium that is in “legal” dispute over the retaining wall.)

Diocesan Council
November 15, 2006

**Program & Budget Standing Committee**
The Executive Committee proposed the following resolution to Diocesan Council:

**RESOLVED,** that the Program & Budget Committee become a permanent committee, meeting periodically as needed throughout the triennium, to review the 2007-2009 Budget and/or to propose adjustments as needed.

Discussion and conclusion was that Council makes decisions and recommends changes regarding budgets on the recommendation from the Commission on Finance and/or Program and Budget Committee. Therefore, a motion was made, seconded and so voted to not accept this resolution and further noted that the next Program and Budget Committee be in place at least two years (24 months) not 18 months before the next triennium budget process begins.
Formation of 4 Committees as Proposed by Convention:
- Apportionment
- Social Responsibility in Investment
- Holy Land and
- Distribution of Diocesan Convention Materials/Scheduling (\textit{this would demand a canonical change at the 2007 convention}).

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to table the formation of these 4 committees until the amended resolutions, as voted on at convention, are received from the Secretary of Convention. These amended resolutions will then be mailed to members of Council to be read in their entirety at which time Council members are urged to let Bishop Wolf know Council recommendations on who should be asked to, or appointed to, serve on these 4 Committees.

\textbf{December 20, 2006}

\textbf{MacSparran-Lee Fund}

\textit{RESOLVED}, that Diocesan Council at its December 20, 2006 meeting gives its consent to the allocation of the MacSparran-Lee Fund estimated 2006 income in the amount of $19,900 to be distributed to support Outreach Mission Projects, Clericus, Clergy Continuing Education Grants and Clergy Sabbatical Grants.

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept this Resolution.

\textbf{Housing Allowance Allocations for 2007}

\textit{RESOLVED}, that Diocesan Council designates the following amounts of cash compensation to be clergy housing allowances for 2007 in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code:

- The Rev. Cn. Richard Bardusch: $16,873.00
- The Rev. Sean Manchester: 8,028.00
- The Rev. Joyce Penfield: 14,000.00
- The Rev. José Roberts: 28,369.00
- The Rev. Elizabeth Sherman: 15,000.00
- The Rev. Cn. Robert Vanderau: 22,880.00
- The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf: 46,800.00

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept this Resolution.

\textbf{Bishop’s Compensation for 2004} (The Rev. Dcn. Ted Hallenbeck offered a brief explanation for this Action Item received from Finance)

\textit{RESOLVED}, that the compensation of the Bishop of RI be adjusted retroactive for 2004 by an increase of $9,173 and a related Church Pension payment of $1,651.14 for a total of $10,824.14. The adjustment is based on the Median Diocesan Compensation for Bishops of comparable sized dioceses at the time. These payments to be paid to the Bishop, or on her behalf, not later than December 31, 2006.

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept this resolution.

\textbf{Clergy Salary Review Committee 2006}

\textit{RESOLVED}, that the Committee recommends that Diocesan Council approve a 4\% increase in recommended minimum salaries for various size parishes and various amounts of similar service for 2007.

A motion was made, seconded and so voted after brief discussion that this is a guideline and should be used as a “grid” for clergy salary and that not everyone is entitled to 4\% increase. Canon Vanderau will e-mail the Guidelines to all parishes on December 21st.
Approval of Diocesan Triennial Budget 2007-2009

According to the minutes from the Convention Secretary, the Triennial Budget for 2007-2009 was not voted on at Convention. Therefore, a motion was made and seconded “That Diocesan Council officially accepts the Diocesan Triennial Budget for 2007-2009”. The motion was so voted with 1 opposed.
The Episcopal Charities Annual Campaign for the year 2006 was a great success. The Board of Trustees, all committees and parish volunteers successfully complete their work both in fundraising and outreach efforts. Grant distributions in the amount of $533,415 were given to 107 social service agencies and programs throughout Rhode Island.

Congratulations are extended to the agencies funded through Episcopal Charities for their commitment to deliver the valuable services given to the people of Rhode Island who are in crisis and need.

The Susan Hudson Memorial Fund awarded grants totaling $12,600 to Grantmakers Council for Emergency Energy Assistance pan, Rhode Island State Council of Churches for the Youth Link Program, the Shriners, “Circus Day” and Teen 4 Teen Program at St. Martin’s Church in Pawtucket.

In total, The Episcopal Charities Fund of Rhode Island dispersed $546,015 to assist people in crisis and fragile situations.

The volunteers and donors of Episcopal Charities deserve gratitude and recognition for their work, dedication and support. Special thanks are extended to Carol Keiser for the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket, Nancy Kaull of St. Luke’s, East Greenwich and The Rev. Austin Almon (Skip) for their outstanding leadership. Gratitude and appreciation is extended to all the member of the Board of Trustees for their commitment to the mission of Episcopal Charities.

National Philanthropy Day was held in November, 2006. Organizations throughout Rhode Island had an opportunity to honor their valued volunteers as “Partners in Philanthropy”. The Rev. and Mrs. John Hall were named “Partners in Philanthropy” of Episcopal Charities for many years of outstanding service and dedication.

CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Continuing Education Committee dispenses grants to clergy serving in churches of the Diocese of Rhode Island who wish to engage in specific continuing education programs that will benefit their parochial ministries. The Committee normally meets as needed to respond to applications or by “polling” members of the Committee by e-mail as needed. The grant moneys come from restricted endowment funds and grants must conform to the terms of the restrictions and to the policies guiding the Committee.

In 2006 a total of $2,651 was granted to four (4) clergy for the purpose of continuing education and/or sabbaticals.

Respectfully submitted,
The Rt. Rev. David B. Joslin
Assisting Bishop
Last year when I stood before Council to present the report of the Task Force that looked at the future of the Episcopal Conference Center, I was certain that was the last time I would be presenting a report to you. I could not have imagined that I would be talking with you as the Acting Director of ECC and be part of the team to put into effect the recommendations of the Task Force.

What a difference a year makes!! This summer we welcomed a total of 603 campers over 8 camp weeks. Our counseling staff was assisted by 70 visiting staff who gave at least one week to ECC, many of them more. I admire the stamina of the counseling staff – the days are long and full during camp, and they have to be vigilant and creative every day. We also welcomed four young men from Europe as counselors this year. They were a wonderful addition to the staff. I plan to recruit more counselors through Camp America for this summer.

A recommendation of the Task Force was to have both a Director of ECC and a Summer Program Director. When I first went to ECC this summer it was to be the Summer Program director. When the Interim Director resigned, Bishop Wolf appointed me as the Acting Director. Which meant that the remainder of the summer, I served in both positions, which was the model we are committed to leaving behind. I am here to tell you, the old model is not efficient, when one has to choose which hat to wear, it is the Program Director hat that fits for the summer.

Having that experience behind me, I plan to advertise for a Program Director who will work very part-time as we plan for the summer, then be full-time for the summer. My hope is to have that person in place by February.

Bishop Wolf said she wanted to focus on getting ECC accredited by the American Camp Association. So much time is spent in planning program, I haven’t begun to focus on accreditation. Having a Program Director in place will allow me to do that.

While we traditionally focus on the summer camp ministry, ECC is open and fully functional the other 40 weeks of the year. Joyce Roberts, our Resident Manager, has worked very hard to recruit groups to use our facility. We have a number of repeat groups that like the rustic surroundings and warm hospitality we offer. Now we are hosting groups that come on the recommendation of other groups. The word is out!

I would also like to begin to develop programs for adults to spend a day or a weekend, walking the labyrinth or spending quiet time in the Tower of Silence, exploring their spirituality.

We have started several new initiatives:
One is the Buy-A-Brick Program, for a memorial walk from the parking lot to the house.

Another is the Adopt-A-Cabin program. Lance Roberts, our Property Manager, and I have identified needs for each of the cabins on the property. We are encouraging deaneries, parishes, groups and individuals to adopt a cabin to provide the materials necessary to bring the cabin up to code. Sweat equity will be most welcome, also!

ECC has a very active Alumni group. I am very grateful for the work their support. It was just the other day that I realized the Alumni group is for former Counselors. So – I realized there is a whole group of people who came to ECC at some point in their youth, were never counselors, and may might want to be involved, but do not have a vehicle. This June we are going to have an all- inclusive cookout for anyone who came to camp and would like to see what we have done, tell stories and perhaps volunteer at camp.

There is a lot happening at ECC, more than I have time to share with you today. I work with a wonderful year-round staff of Joyce and Lance Roberts and Barbara Sidla. I urge you to visit our display table, come to visit us, keep us in your prayers as we move forward to serve God in this wonderful place.
Eucharistic Ministers

St. John’s, Ashton
Phillip Masquelette 2009
Sally Whitehead 2009

St. John’s, Barrington
Joan L. Harper 2007
Charles F. Reade, Jr. 2007

St. Matthew’s, Barrington
Mary Miller 2009

St. Michael’s, Bristol
Richard Munro 2007
Anne C. McCarthy 2008
Dinah Baker 2009
Betty Burkhardt 2009
Kenneth Burkhardt 2009
Sally Woodruff 2009

St. Alban’s, Centredale
M.R. Pagano 2008

St. George’s, Central Falls
Modesta Pellot 2007

Holy Spirit, Charlestown
Lora Branin Cobdon 2007
Marjorie F. Frank 2007
Nancy Penn 2007
Patricia Bow 2008

Christ Church, Coventry
James Tonge 2009

St. Matthias’, Coventry
David Barton 2009
George Nathanson 2009
Alberta Sarvia 2009

Ascension, Cranston
Hope Kirkconnell 2009
John Kirkconnell 2009

St. David’s-on-the-Hill, Cranston
Toni T. Harrison 2007
Antonio F. Oliver    2007
Lorena A. Brown    2009
Robert G. Brown    2009
Lynne E. Purdy    2009

William McCormick

Harry T. Allison    2008
Shirley H. Halvarson    2009
Margaret Thomas    2009

LeeAnn Lanciaux    2007
John Gelati    2008
Paul Lanciaux    2008
Harry Bentley    2009
Jeanne Ikerman    2009
Karl Ikerman    2009

Colleen P. Tolhurst    2007
Priscilla Wormwood    2007
Virginia Butler    2008
Elizabeth Fornal    2008
Ernest E. Slocum, Jr.    2008
Collin Barnett    2009
Harry J. Waterman    2009

Beverly A. Edwards    2009

Clarissa M.H. Patterson    2007
Christopher North    2009

Beverly A. Anderson    2009
E. Harold Anderson    2009
David Hearty    2009

Nancy Lee Hampton-Beeley    2007
Ann Dunham    2007
Bruce Dunham    2007
Elinor Schneider    2007
Scott L. Sears    2008

Transfiguration, Cranston
2008

Trinity, Cranston
2008

Emmanuel, Cumberland
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St. Luke’s, East Greenwich
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St. Thomas, Greenville
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Lois A. Whittaker  
Robert E. Whittaker  

Kenneth Lagerquist  

M. Carrie Ruo  
Rose Marques  

Thomas A. Brown  
Alexander Cozzens  
William Gagne  
Donald T. Heywood  

Linda M. Remington  

Katharine M. Kreiser  
Agnes L. Fox  
Rebecca Silliman  

Millard Miller  
Nancy Soukup  
Kevin Valentine  
Arlene Walker  

Rhea Brooks  
Lisa Peterson  
Jayne Fielding Platt  
Kevin W. Platt  
Eugene Reposa  
Christopher O. Utter  
Sidney Clifford, Jr.  

Rebecca Alberg  

Shirley N. Chace  
Deborah C.R. Cotter  
Denis Moonan  
Elke Moonan  
John F. Staniunas, Jr.  
Robin A. Bugbee  

Calvary, Pascoag  
2009  

Good Shepherd, Pawtucket  
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St. Paul’s, Pawtucket  
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St. Mary’s, Portsmouth  
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St. Paul’s, Portsmouth  
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All Saints’ Memorial, Providence  
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Cathedral of St. John, Providence  
2008  

Grace, Providence  
2007  

Redeemer, Providence  
2007  

St. Martin’s, Providence  
2007
Alice DJ McLure 2009
Gail E. Peet 2009
Penny Seacord 2009
Betsy Slocum 2009

James L. Seavor 2007
Arthur J. Thomas 2008

M. Jeanne Mason 2007
Judith Lewis Ouellette 2007
Constance Pascale 2007
Russell Grant, Jr. 2008
James Hummel 2008
Linda L. Lawson 2008
Phyllis Petter 2008
Kenneth Wilmot 2008

Sara Erskine 2008
Lorraine Miranda 2008
Evelyn Hassell 2009

Barbara Gadrow

Phyllis Currier 2007
Alan Locke 2007

Margaret Collins 2008
Clifford Gardner 2008
Betty Jane Rocha 2008
Kathleen Wosencroft 2009

Cynthia LaChapelle 2008
Christina LaChapelle 2009
Frederick A. Rounds 2009

Gilbert Wiggins

Dennis Bucco 2007
Valerie Dreyer 2008

St. Peter & St. Andrew’s, Providence
St. Mark’s, Riverside
St. Michael & Grace, Rumford
St. John the Divine, Saunderstown
Holy Trinity, Tiverton
Ascension, Wakefield
St. Mark’s, Warren
All Saints’, Warwick
St. Barnabas’, Warwick
St. Mary’s, Warwick
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**Christ Church, Westerly**

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**St. James’, Woonsocket**

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# PLANT ASSETS – PROPERTIES OWNED

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| Cathedral Close: | |
| Cathedral House and Annex | 271 North Main St., Providence |
| Hallworth House | 66 Benefit St., Providence |
| Hallworth House Parking Lot | Star St., Providence |
| Edwards Fund Homes | 62, 74, 78, 80, 84, 88 Benefit St., Providence |

| Old Narragansett Church: | |
| Old Narragansett Church | North Side of Main St., N. Kingstown |
| The Greenway | Access to the church |
| Burial Ground | Shermantown Rd., N. Kingstown |
| Fowler Property | Vacant Land, Fowler St., N. Kingstown |
| Baker Property | Vacant Land, new Fowler St. |

| Miscellaneous Properties: | |
| Episcopal Conference Center | Reservoir Rd., Pascoag |
| May Cottage | Cold Spring Ln., No. Kingstown |
| Parking Lot | 65 Benefit St., Providence |
| St. Phillips Cemetery | West Warwick, RI |

This is to certify that the above are Diocesan-owned properties.
The Rev. Dn. Barbara Mays-Stock, Secretary
Institutions in the Diocese of Rhode Island

EDWARDS HOMES (Benefit St., Providence)........................................................................ 274-4505
Mail to: 66 Benefit St., Providence RI 02904
Contact: Kathleen M. Lavallee

EPISCOPAL CONFERENCE CENTER.................................................................................. 568-4055
872 Reservoir Rd., Pascoag RI 02859................................................................................ (Fax) 568-7805
Director: The Rev. William Rosenow (Interim)
Registrar: Barbara Sidla
Resident Manager: Joyce Roberts; Property Management: Lance Roberts

HALLWORTH HOUSE......................................................................................................... 274-4505
66 Benefit St., Providence RI 02904................................................................................ (Fax) 521-3947
Administrator: Kathleen M. Lavallee

ST. ANDREW’S SCHOOL.................................................................................................. 246-1230
63 Federal Rd., Barrington RI 02806
Headmaster: John Martin

ST. ELIZABETH HOME (Long-Term Care Facility)...................................................... 471-6060
One St. Elizabeth Way, East Greenwich RI 02818............................................................ (Fax) 471-6072
Administrator: Matthew Trimble

ST. ELIZABETH MANOR (Long-Term Care)............................................................... 253-2300
1 Dawn Hill, Bristol RI 02809

ST. ELIZABETH COURT (Assisted Living Facility).................................................... 490-4646
190 Melrose Street, Providence RI 02107
Administrator: Richard Frigon

ST. GEORGE’S SCHOOL.................................................................................................... 847-7565
372 Purgatory Rd., Newport; Mail to: P.O. Box 1910, Newport RI 02840...................... (Fax) 848-0420
Headmaster: Charles A. Hamblett
Chaplain: The Rev. Mark Pruitt*

ST. MARY’S HOME FOR CHILDREN............................................................................ 353-3900
420 Fruit Hill Ave., North Providence RI 02911.............................................................. (Fax) 354-7986
Executive Director: Bernard J. Smith

THE SHEPHERD PROGRAM........................................................................................... 784-3530
135 Norwood Ave., Cranston RI 02905
Director: Carlene McCann

SEAMEN’S CHURCH INSTITUTE.................................................................................. 847-4260
18 Market Sq., Newport RI 02840................................................................................ (Fax) 847-4284
Superintendent: Mr. Jack Grant; jgrantupt@yahoo.com
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Austin A. Almon
131 Godfrey Drive
Norton, MA 02766
Diaconal Ministry

David A. Ames
130 Slater Avenue
Providence, RI 02906
Interim, St. Mark’s, Riverside, RI

Henry Anthony
727 Hampton Woods Lane
Vero Beach, FL 32962
Retired

Robert Anthony
104 Old Stage Road
Centerville, MA 02632
Priest-In-Charge, St. Ann’s-by-the-Sea
Block Island, RI; President, Standing Cmte.

William S. Anthony
Sherrill House
135 So. Huntington Ave.
Jamaica Plains, MA 02130
Retired

Jean Barry
Meals
35 CW Castle Way
kitchen
Charlestown, RI 02813
Executive Director Westerly Area Rest
WARM, Inc. a homeless shelter/soup

Donald Belt
37 Shepard Avenue
Providence, RI 02904
Retired

Rebecca Blair
Bedford, 542 Pearce Street
Fall River, MA 02720
Priest-in-Charge, St. Andrew’s, New
MA

Hébert Bolles
45 DeArruda Terrace
Portsmouth, RI 02871
Assisting in Parishes as needed; Eucharist
in Nursing Homes

Lawrence Bradner
67 Slater Avenue #9
Providence, RI 02906
Retired Priest Associate, St. Martin’s,
Providence; writing research.
Janet Broadhead    Retired
44 Grinnell Street
Jamestown, RI  02835

Douglas Burger    Retired; Chaplain Ballou Home,
Woonsocket
214 Oakly Road
Woonsocket, RI 02895

Daniel Burke     Supply work; response to requests of friends
for
111 Pottersville Road
Little Compton, RI 02837

Linda Cappers     Retired September, 2006
30 Hemlock Drive
Saco, ME 04072

David Cargill     Retired; occasional PHC and Burials
39 Cherry Road
Cranston, RI 02905

Loring Chadwick Retired; occasional part-time assisting and
11440 SW 84th Ave., Rd.
Advent,
Ocala, FL 34481
Dunnellon, FL

George M. Chaplin Volunteer in Nursing Homes
1201 Capella South
Newport, RI 02840

John A. Chrisman Priest in Residence, St. Boniface,
7118 Treymore Court
Sarasota, FL 34243
Sarasota, FL

Michael Coburn    Outreach Work, Homeless Team,
Providence
77 Daboll Street
Providence, RI 02907
Center, Providence, RI

A. Royston Cochran Retired
32 Lawnwood Road
North Kingstown, RI 02852

Ronald P. Conner Clergy Team, St. Stephen & Incarnation;
4430 Grant Road, NW Priest Associate Christ Church; Cathedral
Washington, DC 20016 Chaplain, Washington, DC
Sue Crowinshield
319 Berkeley Avenue
Middletown, RI 02842
Pastoral ministry, Emmanuel, Newport, RI

Maria DeCarvalho
direction
18 Vassar Avenue
‘06
Providence, RI 02906
Teaching, preaching, writing, spiritual
Clergy Associate, St. Luke’s, E. Greenwich

N. Desrosiers, Jr.
11 WG/HC Bolling AFB
Washington, DC
Chaplain, United States Air Force

Mary Ellen Dolan
10 Summer Street
Westerly, RI 02891
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Perdium Chaplain Home & Hospice Care RI

Robert D. Duffy
2783 West Shore Rd., #20E
Warwick, RI 02889
Celebrating at West Bay Manor

Hope Eakins
25 Scarborough Street
Hartford, CT 06105
Supply clergy

William Eakins
25 Scarborough Street
Hartford, CT 06105
Assisting, Grace Church, Providence, RI;
Supply, St. Luke’s, E. Greenwich, RI

Henry F. Fairman
73 Touisset Avenue
Swansea, MA 02777
Supply, various churches

Kenneth R. Franklin
60 Cavalcade Blvd.
Warwick, RI 02889
Volunteer, Thursday morning Mass at
St. Stephen’s, Providence, RI

James P. Frink
3A Grouse Trail
Smithfield, RI 02917
Sunday supply, Church of the Ascension,
Cranston, RI

David M. Gillespie
3383 N. Mossy Brook Dr.
Tucson, AZ 85712
Supply work in AZ, VT, RI, CA
and W. TN
Harrington Gordon
50 Kristen Court
Warwick, RI 02888
Retired; serve on several committees within Diocese and private sectors.

Roy D. Green
Bend,
1940 NW Monterey Pines #8
Prayer
Bend, OR 97701
Health Care Chaplain at Hospice Center, OR; several teaching engagements, Taizé

Everett H. Greene
1117 Capella South
2006
Newport, RI 02840
Retired; some supply and Chaplin to retired clergy and Widows beginning September,

David Greer
208 Bruce Avenue
Shreveport, LA 71105
Worship and Centering Prayer Group

Edwin Hallenbeck
101 Larchmont Road
Steere
Warwick, RI 02886
Publications Director, HAAD; Fund for Diaconate; Treasurer DOTAC, Director, House, President The Sasons Assisted Living

Donald L. Hastings
P.O. Box 372
East Boothbay, ME 04544
Supply

Augustus L. Hemenway
175 Lloyd Avenue
Providence, RI 02906
Reply

Granville V. Henthorne
74 Evangeline Drive
PO Box 296
Brooksville, ME 04617
Dean & President of Logos House of Theological Studies

Jean Webster Hickox
287 Yawgoo Pond Road
West Kingston, RI 02892
Retired Deacon

George N. Hunt
California
249 Moll Drive
Windsor, CA 95492
Retired Bishop of RI; Supply in N.
Frederick K. Jellison Retired; Board member Blessing Way; Volunteer work
1650 Douglas Ave. #1106
North Providence, RI 02904

Ida R. Johnson USA/MX border work; Liturgical Deacon
PMB 50813
220 N Zapata Hwy #11
Laredo, TX 78043

Michela Johnson Adjunct clergy; Supply, Chaplain at
1214 Noyer Drive Washington National Cathedral
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Paul S. Koumrian Part-time Priest Associate at Trinity, Newport
PO Box 280 Teaching, Pastoral Care
Tiverton, RI 02878

August Kuehl Retired
40 Bagy Wrinkle Cove
Warren, RI 02885

Richard T. Laremore Supply as needed
16 Norfolk Street
Cranston, RI 02910

Donald A. Lavallee Retired
42 Harbor Lake Circle
Safety Harbor, FL 34695

John E. Lawrence Interim, Calvary Church, Columbia, MO
302 Wild Ginger Court
Columbia, MO 65203

Sean Manchester Chaplain, Eleanor Slater Hospital; supply
19 Trinity Parkway Clinical Social Worker during the week
Providence, RI 02908

Edward Mason Retired
22701 Lake Road, #201A
Rocky River, OH 44116

Patrick Mauney Retired
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Ankara, Turkey 06800

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Retired Deacon

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Westboro, MA 02581

Retired Deacon

Hedwig B. Neale
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East Greenwich, RI 02818

Retired Deacon

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Narragansett, RI 02882

Pastoral Care Team, Lector and Chalicist
St. Peter’s-by-the-Sea, Narragansett, RI

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Retired

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North Kingstown, RI 02852

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Ann Holmes Redding
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Seattle, WA 98102
Director, Faith Formation and Renewal at
St. Mark’s Cathedral, WA

Marshall T. Rice
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Charlestown, RI 02813
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The Villages, FL 32162
Retired

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New York, NY 10011
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Seminary

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writer/historian

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156-20 Riverside Drive West #13I
New York, NY 10032
Interim work in New Jersey

Patricia Sheppard
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Fernandina Beach, FL 32034
Study & travel; Credo

William N. Shumaker
St. Elizabeth’s Home
1 St. Elizabeth Way
East Greenwich, RI 02818
Retired
Marlene Simonian
1346 Creek Nine Drive
North Port, FL 34286
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Richard R. Simpson
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Westerly, RI 02891
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Peter L. Spencer
107 Green Hill Avenue
Wakefield, RI 02879
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San Diego, CA 92115
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Daryl W. Stahl
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Portsmouth, RI 02871
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Newport, RI 02840
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Henry G. Turnbull
P.O. Box 266
Youngtown, AZ 85363
Retired

Paul D. Twelves
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Bristol, RI 02809
Sunday Supply

Hannah Ulanowski
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Scituate, MA 02066
Hospice visiting Chaplain; lead bible study in assisted nursing facility

Robert Vanderau
275 North Main Street
Providence, RI 02903
Canon to the Ordinary; Supply Clergy as needed

John VanSiclen
P.O. Box 101
Walpole, ME 04573
Retired
James L. Verber  
146 Chatworth Rd.  
North Kinstown, RI 02852  
Long-Term Supply at St. Mark’s, Warren

Peter H.G. Westhorp  
2574 Creve Coeur Mill Rd.  
Maryland Heights, MD 63043  
Non-Parochial Clergy Report – 2006  
Office Professional

L. Gail Wheelock  
3809 Duffer Road  
Sebring, FL 33872  
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Edward S. Winsor  
28 McAllister Street  
Newport, RI 02840  
Fill in as needed; weekly healing mass St. John’s, Newport and at St. Hilary’s in Florida throughout the winter.

Elizabeth L. Wright  
10 Eustis Avenue  
Newport, RI 02840  
Retired Deacon
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of The Diocese of Rhode Island (a not-for-profit organization) as of December 31, 2005, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Diocese’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Diocese of Rhode Island as of December 31, 2005, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

April 28, 2006
# AUDITOR’S REPORT FOR 2005

## THE DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND

Providence, Rhode Island

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

**December 31, 2005**

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**EXHIBIT B**

THE DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND  
Providence, Rhode Island

**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
For the year ended December 31, 2005

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<td>Investment income</td>
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<td>Realized and unrealized gains on investments</td>
<td>111,226</td>
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<td>Gain on sales of property</td>
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<td>Other income</td>
<td>150,514</td>
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<td>Net assets released from restrictions (Note 9)</td>
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<td>Total operating revenue and other support</td>
<td>$ 3,856,349</td>
<td>$ 363,894</td>
<td>$ 145,237 $ 4,365,480</td>
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### OPERATING EXPENSES:

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<td>Fundraising</td>
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### CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

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<td>Changes in net assets</td>
<td>$ 346,690</td>
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<td>$ 145,237 $ 855,821</td>
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<td>Net assets, January 1, 2005</td>
<td>9,677,545</td>
<td>6,431,263</td>
<td>5,213,482 21,322,290</td>
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<td>Net assets, December 31, 2005</td>
<td>$10,024,235</td>
<td>$6,795,157</td>
<td>$5,358,719 $22,178,111</td>
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EXHIBIT C

THE DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND
Providence, Rhode Island

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
For the year ended December 31, 2005

<table>
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<tr>
<th>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</th>
<th>$855,821</th>
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<tr>
<td>Changes in net assets</td>
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<td>cash provided by operating activities:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Depreciation</td>
<td>68,751</td>
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<tr>
<td>Realized gains on investments and property</td>
<td>(9,460)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Unrealized gains on investments</td>
<td>(540,331)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Decrease in receivables</td>
<td>1,566</td>
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<tr>
<td>Increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses</td>
<td>19,899</td>
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<td>Net cash provided by operating activities</td>
<td>$396,246</td>
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| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES |          |
| Purchase of property and equipment  | ($22,482)|
| Proceeds from sale of investments   | 143,567  |
| Purchase of investments             | (144,333)|
| Net cash used by investing activities| (23,248) |

NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS $372,998

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, January 1, 2005 1,830,130
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, December 31, 2005 $2,203,128

See accompanying notes to financial statements.
Note 1. NATURE OF ACTIVITIES

The Diocese of Rhode Island (“Diocese”) is a nonprofit religious corporation established under the laws of the State of Rhode Island. The Diocese is dedicated to establishing, developing, and furthering all aspects of The Episcopal Church in Rhode Island.

The Diocese is supported by apportionment amounts received from member parishes, contributions received from various donors, and endowment income.

Note 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of the Diocese have been prepared utilizing the accrual basis of accounting.

The Diocese’s financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 117, “Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Organizations.” Under SFAS No. 117, the Diocese is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets. The categories are: unrestricted, temporarily restricted, and permanently restricted. In addition, the Diocese is required to present a statement of cash flows.

All donor-restricted support is reported as an increase in temporarily or permanently restricted net assets, depending on the nature of the restriction. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose of restriction is accomplished), temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the Statement of Activities as net assets released from restrictions.

Management’s policy requires that the net appreciation in permanently restricted assets be retained permanently in an amount necessary to adjust the historic dollar value of the original gifts by the change in the consumer price index. Any remainder of appreciation is available for appropriation.

Contributions

The Diocese records contributions in accordance with SFAS No. 116, “Accounting for Contributions Received and Contributions Made,” whereby
contributions received are recorded as unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted support, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions. Restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets upon satisfaction of the time or purpose restrictions.
Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include all monies in banks and highly liquid investments with maturity dates of three months or less.

Receivables

Accounts receivable are stated at the amount management expects to collect on outstanding balances. Management provides for probable uncollectible amounts through a provision for bad debt expense and an adjustment to a valuation allowance based on its assessment of the current status of individual accounts. Balances that are still outstanding after management has used reasonable collection efforts are written off through a charge to the valuation allowance and a credit to accounts receivable.

Investments

The Diocese accounts for its investments in accordance with SFAS No. 124, “Accounting for Certain Investments Held by Not-for-Profit Organizations.” Under SFAS No. 124, investments in marketable securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are valued at their fair value in the statement of financial position. Unrealized gains and losses are included in the change in net assets.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Property and Equipment

Missions and other real property in the name of the Diocese at January 1, 1982 were recorded at appraised value. Subsequent acquisitions are carried at cost. Land and building of the Hallworth House are carried at cost. Land and buildings restricted by donors are recorded at appraised value. Equipment and motor vehicles are carried at cost. Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets.
Income Tax Status

The Diocese qualifies as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and, therefore, has no provision for federal income taxes. In addition, the Diocese qualifies for the charitable contribution deduction under Section 170(b)(1)(A).
THE DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND
Providence, Rhode Island

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2005

Note 3. PLEDGES RECEIVABLE

Unconditional promises are included in the financial statements as pledges receivable and revenue of the appropriate net asset category. Pledges, net of allowance for uncollectibles, are expected to be collected within the next year.

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<td>Total pledges</td>
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<tr>
<td>Less allowance</td>
<td>11,832</td>
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<tr>
<td>Net pledges</td>
<td>$21,973</td>
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Pledges receivable at December 31, 2005 have the following restrictions:

Episcopal Charities $21,973

Note 4. LOANS RECEIVABLE

The Diocese maintains a revolving loan fund for the purpose of granting loans to parishes and missions in need of financial assistance. At December 31, 2005, eleven (11) loans were outstanding totaling $532,585. Interest is charged on the loan balances at an annual rate ranging from 2.75% to 8.5%. The loans mature at various dates until the year 2027.

Note 5. INVESTMENTS

Investments are carried at market and realized and unrealized gains and losses are reflected in the statement of activities.

Investment securities consisted of the following at December 31, 2005:

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<tr>
<th>Carrying Value</th>
<th>Carrying Cost</th>
<th>Cost</th>
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<tr>
<td>Corporate Bonds</td>
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<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>16,567</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pooled Investments</td>
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<td></td>
<td>$11,440,806</td>
<td>$17,901,931</td>
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Pooled investments represent funds invested with the Diocesan Investment Trust of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island (DIT), a related entity.
Note 6. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment consist of the following:

<table>
<thead>
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<th></th>
<th>Unrestricted</th>
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<th>Permanently Restricted</th>
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<tr>
<td>Land and buildings</td>
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<tr>
<td>Equipment</td>
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<tr>
<td>Motor vehicles</td>
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<tr>
<td>Less accumulated depreciation</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>$1,333,615</td>
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<td>$ 212,164</td>
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Depreciation expense for 2005 was $68,751.

Note 7. TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Temporarily restricted net assets are available to support the following purposes at December 31, 2005:

<table>
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<th>Temporary restriction</th>
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<td>Parish Endowment Fund</td>
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<td>Old Narragansett Church</td>
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<tr>
<td>Supplemental Retirement Benefits &amp; Assistance</td>
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<tr>
<td>Episcopate</td>
<td>1,984,558</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bishop’s Discretionary Fund</td>
<td>140,633</td>
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<tr>
<td>A.A. Gammell</td>
<td>79,862</td>
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<tr>
<td>Elmer R. Shippee Fund</td>
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<tr>
<td>Episcopal Charities</td>
<td>809,444</td>
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<td>Airport Chapel</td>
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<td>Missions</td>
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<td>Commission on Ministry</td>
<td>6,780</td>
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<td>City Camp</td>
<td>6,349</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>$6,795,157</td>
</tr>
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</table>
Note 8. PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Permanently restricted net assets consisting of property and investments are restricted in perpetuity, the income from which is available to support the following purposes at December 31, 2005:

- Missions $566,517
- Episcopal Conference Center 233,669
- Old Narragansett Church 73,976
- Supplemental Retirement Benefits & Assistance 540,525
- Episcopate 1,094,376
- Edwards Homes 90,039
- Bishop’s Discretionary Fund 168,044
- Episcopal Charities 2,390,923
- Parish Endowment Fund 13,807
- Congregational Development 186,843
- $5,358,719

Note 9. NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTIONS

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes or by occurrence of other events specified by donor.

Purpose restrictions accomplished:
- Episcopal Charities $567,250
- Supplemental Retirement Benefits & Assistance 52,891
- Bishop’s Discretionary Fund 43,091
- Elmer R. Shippee Fund 66,258
- Episcopate 144,552
- Episcopal Conference Center 159,173
- Missions 18,817
- Old Narragansett Church 3,736
- Ministry and Chaplaincy 9,046
- Parish Endowment Fund 16,417
- Dunning Trust 5,253
- City Camp 28,002
- Airport Chapel 2,500
- Congregational Development 20,038
- Other Outreach and Support 3,275
- $1,140,299
Note 10. PENSION PLANS

The Diocese has a defined benefit pension plan covering its retired lay employees. Benefits are based on years of service and the employee’s average earnings for the highest five (5) consecutive years. The Diocese’s funding policy is to annually contribute the amount required under the minimum funding standards.

The Diocese did not contribute to this plan in 2005. An actuary’s statement shows that no contribution was needed to keep the plan funded in accordance with the minimum funding standards of ERISA.

The Diocese also has a defined contribution plan sponsored by the National Church. The plan covers the Diocese’s active lay employees. Contributions are made by the Diocese at a minimum of five percent of an employee’s salary to a maximum of nine percent. The Diocese contributed $41,070 to this plan in 2005.

The Diocese also contributed $69,444 to a plan sponsored by the National Church covering clergy employed by the Diocese.

Note 11. CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

At times throughout the year the Diocese maintains certain bank accounts in excess of the FDIC insured limits.
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT
ON ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Our report on our audit of the basic financial statements of The Diocese of Rhode Island as of December 31, 2005 appears on Page 2. That audit was for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The schedule of program expenses is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

April 28, 2006
### Diocese of Rhode Island

#### Vital Statistics of Congregations and Missions

Year in parentheses is last year of filing if not 2005

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<th>Sunday Eucharists and Older</th>
<th>16 yrs Under 16</th>
<th>Confirmed or Received</th>
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### Vital Statistics of Congregations and Missions

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