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LETTER FROM ARCHBISHOP JAMES E. PROVENCE

To the clergy and congregations
of the Anglican Province of Christ the King

*D*ear Brethren,

*N*ext January marks the thirtieth anniversary of the consecration of Robert Sherwood Morse as the first bishop of what is now the Anglican Province of Christ the King. For three decades, Archbishop Morse led us with strength, wisdom and courage, and the orderly election of his successor is a testament to his vision and leadership.

*O*n the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, January 25, 2008, I will be enthroned as Second Archbishop of this Province at St. Peter's Pro-cathedral in Oakland, California. While I assumed full responsibility of this office at my election, the Enthronement Mass is an opportunity for us as a Province to thank God for His many blessings to us over the past thirty years and to seek His guidance for the future.

*C*onsecrated along with Archbishop Morse in 1978, were bishops for the Anglican Catholic Church and the United Episcopal Church. In light of the significance of this thirtieth anniversary, and in recognition of our increasing cooperation with these two jurisdictions, I have invited their current archbishops, the Most Rev. Mark D. Haverland and the Most Rev. Stephen C. Reber, to join in our celebration.

I am calling for a meeting of Provincial clergy on the morning of Thursday, January 24, and of everyone, clergy and laity, that afternoon. The afternoon meeting will be an opportunity for you to hear a "State of the Province" report along with my thoughts on our future. On Thursday night, we will gather for a celebration banquet at a traditional San Francisco steak house.

*T*he Anglican Church Women of the Province will meet on Thursday morning to discuss their plans and projects.

*T*he hotel for the event, and the venue for all meetings, is the Marine's Memorial Club, centrally located in downtown San Francisco.

I hope that all of the clergy and many laity will be able to attend this historic event and enjoy fellowship with many others from around the Province. The enthronement and associated activities will replace the pilgrimage to Fond du Lac originally planned for 2008.

*Y*ours in Christ Jesus,
The Most Rev. James E. Provence
Archbishop

(Anyone interested in attending this historic event, please speak with Father Hines.)

VESTRY MEETING WITH ARCHBISHOP JAMES E. PROVENCE

*O*n Saturday, November 3, our Vestry had the opportunity to sit down to a lunch and meeting with Archbishop Provence. The following is a summary of all the important items that were thoroughly discussed at the meeting:

*T*he Diocese of the Eastern States (of which we are a part) will remain established. It is now composed of the following parishes: All Saints; St. Alban's Anglican Church, Clinton, New York; and Grace Anglican Church, Louisville, Kentucky. According to Archbishop Provence, our diocese will soon be joined by another parish (Christ the King Anglican Church, Washington D.C.).

*F*rom these four parishes there will be both clergy and laity nominated to form a Standing Committee (consisting of 3 clergy and 3 laity) and a Board of Directors (2 clergy and 3 laity). A formal letter vote will be taken in the near future for the nomination and election of this membership. The new Standing Committee and Board of Directors will heavily assist the Archbishop in developing the diocese.

Further, as of this point in time, All Saints has been appointed by the Archbishop to be the administrative headquarters for the Diocese of the Eastern States. So far, Father Schultz is the Secretary of the Diocese and a new Treasurer may come from our parish as well. Other obligations and responsibilities will be put upon us in the future for this new role. We are honored that the Archbishop has this confidence in our parish, and we are grateful to be able to assist our diocese in any way we can. He let us know that at this point the main task is to stabilize the existing structure and then we can move ahead with shaping our diocese. A synod will be called in 2008 for the next set of important decisions to be made, a time and location to be announced later.

The Vestry felt very good with our meeting with the Archbishop. We walked away encouraged by the good news of our relationship with other continuing movements such as the Anglican Catholic Church (ACC) and the United Episcopal Church (UEC) – that our new “sacramental unity” with them means that, while still retaining our separate jurisdictions, we will jointly work to form new parishes and missions across the nation, share Summer Camps, share a common Seminary, and even share church buildings in some instances. We were grateful to also hear of the Archbishop’s demand for both transparency and better organization in the running of our diocese. And, most of all, we were encouraged to see his genuine pastoral care for us and all in this diocese.

Sue Peterson, the secretary of the Vestry, took the Minutes during our meeting with the Archbishop. If you would like a copy simply ask Father Hines.

NEW DEACON

By the time you receive this newsletter, we will have a new deacon in our midst. We congratulate Bob Wilson for his ordination to the Diaconate this past Sunday, November 4.

Traditionally, deacons were called out from among the laity in order to help the priests and bishops in their service to the poor and in their administering of the Sacraments (Acts 6:1-6). Deacon Wilson will be a great help in both of these areas. Before his ordination, he already did much to serve this parish and its people, and we are confident that his service and sacrifice will only increase from here.

We are grateful to Almighty God for bringing Deacon Wilson to this important office.

May God bless him and this parish which he now serves in a new capacity.

ORDINATION WEEKEND

We will remember November 3 and 4 as one of the most meaningful and enjoyable events ever held at All Saints Church, and as always, the parish worked together to ensure a smooth and efficient schedule of events. We are indebted to Archbishop James E. Provence who spent three days with us and who did so much to assist in making plans and in being fully involved in every aspect of the weekend.

After a rehearsal for the Rite of Ordination and Mass at the church on Saturday morning, the Vestry met at Barbara and Bill Jepson’s for lunch and a special meeting with Archbishop Provence. The future of the Diocese of the Eastern States and the Province of Christ the King were fully discussed, and most importantly, the role of All Saints Church was outlined. On Saturday evening, Archbishop Provence, Father Hines and Father Schultz joined the Wilson Family for a reunion dinner in honor of Bob Wilson’s upcoming ordination to Holy Orders.

On Sunday morning, the church was filled to capacity – 129 in attendance – for the Rite of Ordination and the Solemn Eucharist of the Holy Ghost. In his sermon, Father Schultz noted the significance of the Order of Deacons in the life of the Church and reminded the candidate of the several responsibilities he will have in serving the people of All Saints. After the Examination and Vows, Archbishop Provence formally installed him as a Deacon, with the laying on of hands, an act that can only be done by a Bishop in Apostolic Succession in accordance with the long-standing tradition of our faith.

Archbishop Provence celebrated the Mass, and for the first time, Deacon Wilson administered the chalice to the congregation.

Following the Service, Archbishop Provence presented Deacon Wilson with the official certification of Ordination to the Diaconate, and Father Hines acknowledged the red stole which was the gift from our parish. After expressing his appreciation to the Archbishop and the parish, Deacon Wilson was presented with the white alb from the parish and four additional new stoles in the other basic liturgical colors of the Church by his grandchildren on behalf of his family.

Both the undercroft and the first floor conference room were utilized to take care of the 114 guests and parishioners who attended the Ordination Luncheon hosted by the Anglican Church Women of our parish. Fourteen ladies took care of providing the food and beverages, along with the men who assisted with the setup and cleanup for the event.

We gratefully acknowledge those who took the responsibility for the major aspects of the Ordination Weekend:

- Barbara Jepson and Libby Bolton – Vestry Meeting and Luncheon
- Sue Ross, Chris Oschman and Jane Munsie – Ordination Luncheon
- Donnie Marini, Bob Oschman, Bill Gelert, Chuck Bolton and Dick Konigsfeld – Setup and clean up of the Nave and Undercroft
- Jeff David and the Choir – Planning and music for the service
- David and Aleksa Petersons – Prelude music
- Chris Hall – Flowers for the Altar, Narthex and Ordination Luncheon
- Altar Guild – Preparation of the Sanctuary and the Nave
- Father Schultz – Text of the Ordination and Mass Program
- Fabi Brush – Photography
- Father Hines – Basic Planning with Archbishop Provence and Chairman of the weekend

We offer our congratulations, prayers and full support to The Reverend Mr. Robert Lawrence Wilson as he begins his service to the Church and to All Saints Parish.

THANK YOU FROM DEACON WILSON

It is exceedingly difficult to find the proper words to express my gratitude to everyone who made my ordination such a wonderful and special day. Archbishop Provence, Father Hines, Father Schultz, Bill Jepson, Ron Waitek, Kenny Adebawale, Jeb Nash, all who provided the beautiful music before and during the service, the ushers, the altar guild, and the many who prepared and served the luncheon – to all of you my heartfelt appreciation.

Special thanks to Bill Jepson for all his hard work and dedication in preparing for the ordination weekend. Bill's attention to detail and his coordination of all aspects of the weekend were key to the success of the entire event. Sincere thanks for the alb and red stole given to me by the parish. With God's help, I shall do all I can to fulfill the vows I made; to faithfully perform the duties of Deacon; and to serve my God, my parish and my family. I am most grateful for the encouragement you all have given me and ask for your continued prayers and support.

Your servant in Christ,
Deacon Bob

SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT

A report on the Ordination Weekend is included in this issue of "The Sanctus," and you will be interested in the summary of the special Vestry meeting that was held with Archbishop Provence. Congratulations to Deacon Bob Wilson, and thanks to everyone who did so much to make November 3 and 4 such a memorable parish event.

The Pizza and Dessert Sales netted a profit of \$474.30 for the treasury of the Anglican Church Men. Cynthia Gelert will receive a gift certificate as the top sales person. Thanks to Junior Warden Donnie Marini for handling this successful project.

We surpassed the goal of \$720 for the Thanksgiving Basket Project, so All Saints will be able to provide for seven families. Co-Chairs Fabi Brush and Chris Oschman will organize the shopping trip to prepare the baskets for the families assigned to our parish by the Bolingbrook F.I.S.H. organization for delivery the week before Thanksgiving. The support of the parish for this annual project is greatly appreciated.

The Vestry Nominating Committee – Carol O'Sullivan, Sue Peterson and Marcia Wilson – plan to have the slate for election completed by December. If you are interested in serving on the Vestry, please contact a member of the committee, Father Hines or me.

Sunday, November 18, is "Pledge Sunday," and a special parish meeting will be held in the nave immediately after the Mass. Treasurer Carol O'Sullivan will review the Proposed Operating Budget for 2008, provide information on our special accounts and take care of any questions or concerns anyone may have on the current 2007 Budget and the plan for 2008. Pledge Cards for 2008 will be distributed, and we hope that everyone will respond before the holidays.

At its October meeting, the Vestry reviewed a list of future projects and items that may be purchased or donated. Refurbishing the church washrooms and a large sink and cabinet for the kitchen area are primary goals, and the ACM voted to contribute \$500 to help finance these projects. Bob Oschman has taken on the responsibility to prepare a plan and estimates for discussion at the ACW and ACM meetings on Sunday, November 11, and for the Vestry to consider at their November 18 meeting. The final list of proposed goals will be published in the January issue of the newsletter.

From early April to November, the men of the parish have taken care of mowing and trimming our property. Our thanks to the crew: Ibu Akinyemi, Dan Brush, Paul Drayton, Donnie Marini, Bob Oschman and Phil Ross for all their work this year. In late October, the bushes and evergreens were trimmed and the lawn areas were treated with "winter guard."

COFFEE HOUR

Looking ahead: Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM on Thanksgiving Day; the Annual Mitten Tree Collection will be held from Sunday, November 25 to Sunday, December 9, Libby Bolton, Chair; the Parish Christmas Party will be held at the Petersons' Saturday, December 1; the Sunday School Children's Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 8; and the ACW Cookie Walk will be held on Sunday, December 9, Jane Munsie, Chair.

The successful class on the "Book of Common Prayer" concluded in October. Father Hines and Father Schultz are making plans for another adult education class in early 2008, and their work is appreciated.

Bill Jepson
Senior Warden

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

We are so pleased that we have exceeded our goal and collected \$800 for the Thanksgiving Baskets this year. We will prepare Thanksgiving dinner baskets for seven needy families from the Bolingbrook area to brighten their holiday and, in turn, brighten ours. Many thanks, parishioners, for your generosity!

The shopping will take place on Monday, November 19, and the food will be delivered that same day to the distribution point, Crossroads of Faith Church, properly sorted for each family. The recipient families come to the church that evening and pick up their food. The food will include the complete Thanksgiving meal plus many staples. Please contact us if you are able to help with the shopping.

On Thanksgiving Day, as you sit down with your families for your Thanksgiving feast, please pray for these needy families, and know in your heart that you played an important part in bringing this gift of contentment and peace to them.

Thanks again for your generosity and may God continue to bless you and the parish of All Saints.

Chris Oschman
(630-852-7160)
Fabi Brush
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Thanksgiving Basket Co-Chairs

Parish members are encouraged to volunteer to help with the coffee hour service on Sunday mornings. This involves arriving early enough to set up and remaining after church to clean up. Teams will be formed by pairing volunteers and will serve on a rotating schedule. Please contact me to volunteer or for more details.

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MITTEN TREE

The ACW is sponsoring a "Mitten Tree" outreach project with the hope that the entire parish family will participate. On November 25 a tree will appear, ready to be decorated with new mittens (or gloves) to warm the hands and hearts of needy school children in our local DuPage Township area. On Monday, December 10, they will be delivered for distribution as a Christmas blessing before the holiday break. Last year, All Saints contributed nearly 100 pairs of mittens and gloves. Let's hope that we do as well or better this year!

Libby Bolton
Chairman

PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Annual Parish Christmas Party will be held at 6:00 PM on Saturday, December 1, at the home of Carol and Val Petersons in Warrenville. Please give your attention to the signup sheet in the narthex by Sunday, November 25. Directions to the Petersons' home are also available in the narthex. We thank Carol and Val for hosting the parish party again this year.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our annual Sunday School Children's Christmas party is scheduled for Saturday, December 8. Teachers are planning entertaining activities and tasty refreshments. We hope all children will be able to attend.

Chuck Bolton
Sunday School Administrator

FOURTH ANNUAL COOKIE WALK

It's time for our annual cookie walk with proceeds to benefit the outreach of the Anglican Church Women. Each parish family is asked to bake six dozen cookies (signup sheet in the narthex) and bring them to the church between 8:30 and 9:15 AM on Sunday, December 9. After mass, we will meet in the undercroft where we will be greeted with a delicious display of many varieties of homemade cookies. Styrofoam containers will be provided for you to fill with the assortment of your choice. The cost is \$6.00 per container. Some Christmas tins will be available for sale.

We will also have candy and specialty cookies in individually priced packages, and you may purchase just a few cookies to eat as your after church treat that day!

If anyone needs cookies picked up, please let me know. Friends are welcome to attend the sale. We will begin selling at 10:45 AM and conclude about 11:30 AM. Please support this project by baking and buying. Contact me for any further information.

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ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN

A big thanks to Libby Bolton, Fabi Brush, Lilli Longinow, Chris Hall, Chris Oschman, Norma Stafford and Jan Semaan for making last Sunday's luncheon so special for so many. We have now invented the wheel – now all we have to do is start it turning! Again, thanks to everyone!

Please plan to attend our meeting on Sunday, November 11. We will discuss the funding of the restroom project and the Cookie Walk. This will be the last meeting of 2007, so please try to be present.

Thanks and God bless,
Sue Ross
ACW President

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The Rev. Mr. Robert L. Wilson, Deacon

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