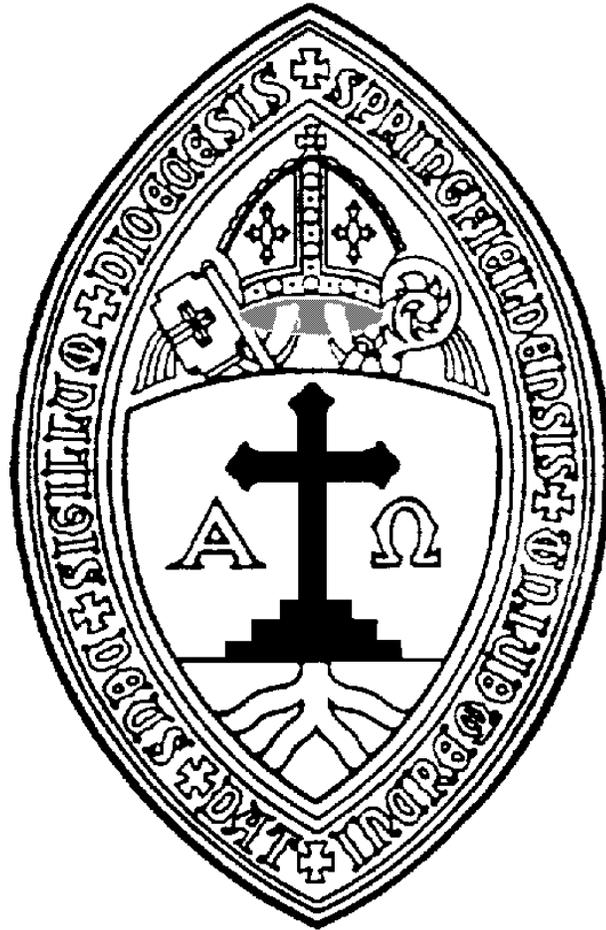


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THE 143rd SYNOD
Minutes of October 3, 2020 Meeting

1. **Call to Order and Invocation:** The Rt. Rev. Daniel H. Martins, 11th Bishop of Springfield, called the business session to order shortly after the announced 9:00am start time, convening as a Zoom conference, on Saturday, October 3, 2020, followed by the invocation which Bishop Martins offered.

2. **Report on Registrations/Quorum:** Deacon G. Timothy Leighton, St. Matthew's Bloomington, Secretary of the Diocese, reported that at the start of the Zoom conference, 38 of 41 registered clergy delegates were present and 53 of 64 registered lay delegates were present. A Quorum for the conduct of business was declared. Over the course of the conference, additional delegates joined and left the Zoom conference. The peak numbers were 41 present of 45 clergy and 61 of 64 lay delegates. At the start, eight guests blessed Synod with their presence without counting toward quorum. Later in the conference, that number had grown to nine guests present.

3. **Adoption of Rules of Order:** Proposed Rules of Order for Conducting Synod Online were sent to registrants in mid September. Following motion made and duly seconded, Synod by vote of 93-1 adopted the Rules of Order for Conducting Synod Online.

4. **Welcome:** Bishop Martins welcomed everyone to this first Synod by Zoom online and gave some logistics instruction.

5. **Approval of the Minutes of the 142nd Synod:** The minutes of the previous Synod (Appendix II of the 143rd Synod Book beginning at page 42) were approved upon motion made, seconded and by vote of 94-0 adopted.

6. **Appointments of the Parliamentarian and to Synod Committees:** Bishop Martins as President of Synod announced these appointments --

Parliamentarian of Synod: Kevin J. Babb, Esq.

Committee on Legislation: the Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford, the Rev. G. Timothy Leighton, Mr. Donald Monty, Mr. Charles Rice

Committee on Resolutions: the Rev. Matthew C. Dallman, the Very Rev. Zachary D. Brooks, Ms. Anne Cornelius, Ms. Helen Williams

7. **Nominations for Elective Offices:** Synod attention was directed to the published list of Nominations for Elective Offices. While deferring the contested elections to later in Synod, upon motion duly made and seconded to (1) close all nominations and (2) direct the casting of a unanimous ballot for the uncontested races, the motion carried by voice vote without objection. Bishop Martins announced that the following were elected:

Treasurer – Mr. Rod Matthews

Trustee – Mr. Donald Monty

Diocesan Council – the Rev. David L. Wells (clerical); Ms. Ellen Burbage (lay)

Commission on Ministry – the Very Rev. Richard I. Lewis

Disciplinary Board – the Rev. Dr. Gregory A. Tournoux (clerical); Mr. Larry Clark (lay)

Provincial Synod Delegate – the Very Rev. Andrew S. Hook

8. **Election of the Secretary of the Diocese and the Appointment of an Assistant Secretary:** There being no further nominations beyond the nomination reported in the Synod Book, the Synod

then elected the Rev. Tim Leighton to be Secretary of the Diocese by voice vote. Secretary Leighton then announced that he reappointed the Rev. Matthew C. Dallman as Assistant Secretary.

9. Disposition of Issues Pertaining to the Seating of Delegates: No disputed credentials were reported. Treasurer Matthews announced that all communities of the Diocese are current with pledges. Bishop Martins announced that all delegates were presumptively seated.

10. Resolutions: The Rev. Matthew C. Dallman presented four Courtesy Resolutions (Appendix A to these minutes), which were approved by Synod:

Resolution 20-C 1 Granting Seat and Voice to Guests of Synod, adopted by voice vote.

Resolution 20-C 2 Welcome to New Clergy, adopted by voice vote.

Resolution 20-C 3 Companion Relationship – Tabora, adopted by voice vote

Resolution 20-C 4 Companion Relationship – Peru, adopted by voice vote.

11. Appointment of Inspectors of Elections: Bishop Martins announced these appointments --

Inspectors of Elections – Clerical: the Rev. David L. Wells, Mr. David Works

Inspectors of Elections – Lay: the Very Rev. Sheryl L. Black, Ms. Sue Davis

12. Synod Address: Bishop Martins addressed the Synod. The full text of the address is posted to the Diocesan website.

13. Elections for Contested Offices: Bishop. Martins announced the following nominations for contested Elective Offices that were published prior to Synod –

Standing Committee – Presbyter (4 year term) – the Very Rev. Andrews S. Hook and the Rev. James K. Muriuki

Standing Committee – Lay (4 year term) – Ms. Patricia Guyon and Mr. Randy Wynn

Following voting by Orders following the newly adopted Rules of Order, Synod duly elected as new members of Standing Committee the Rev. James K. Muriuki (clerical) and Mr. Randy Winn (lay).

14. Report – Treasurer: Mr. Rod Matthews gave the Treasurer’s Report for calendar year 2019. He referred Synod attendees to the detailed reports in the Synod Book. The Treasurer remarked that the audit was clean, that he had provided an official copy of the audit to the Secretary, and that the copy would be available in the Diocesan office. Upon motion made, seconded and carried, the Treasurer’s Report was received as reported.

16. Report – Department of Finance: Mr. Charles Rice, Chair of the Department of Finance, presented the budget proposed by the Department of Finance and approved by Diocesan Council with recommendation to Synod for adoption. Highlights of questions and discussion:

Ms. Sue Davis, St Thomas, Salem asked about whether outreach fund allocations were following whatever parish designations were communicated to the Diocese. Discussion led to explanation that the ability to make binding designations would require a change to Canons. Ms. Davis asked further about what is covered by “other” outreach. Council makes decisions about those funds being made available.

Mr. Greg Staton, Trinity, Mattoon, asked about whether health insurance that the Diocese paid covering both clergy and their families. The insurance payment for Bishop Martins’ coverage includes family. Next question regarding budget changes related to compensation for Archdeacon

and Canon. Response has to do with what Council agreed, based in part on the Archdeacon generally working in the Diocesan Office four days per week while the Canon was working two days per week in the Diocesan Office, although the Rev. Canon Mark Evans noted that he was working more than two days per week on Canon duties. The difference also reflects a transition period of overlap. Next question seeking explanation of why all monies for line 5389 Mission Support all went to one mission when there are other missions in the Diocese. Bishop Martins explained that Cairo was a unique situation after a team ministry by the Deanery had ended and that the decision was made as an extraordinary effort to preserve the Cairo presence, in a depressed area of the Diocese unlike other missions, with significant results in growth dramatically showing that the decision was well-placed.

Upon motion duly made and seconded to approve the budget as proposed, the motion passed by a vote of 97-4.

17. Report - Continuing Committee:

Legislation. The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford, Chair reported that the Committee had received and considered one motion to amend the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese. The Committee reviewed a proposal from the Rt. Rev. Anthony Clavier, St. Thomas, Glen Carbon, et al., printed in the Synod Book at page 11, to amend Title I of the Diocesan Canons by the addition of a new Canon 6 that “Neither the Chancellor, nor the Treasurer, nor any Diocesan Assistant (as provided for in IV.29.6) shall be eligible for election to the Standing Committee.” The Committee reported that the proposed change to Canon is improper due to deficiencies of both form and substance: first, that it conflicts with Article XVI of the Constitution of the Diocese, in that it imposes a requirement for the election to the Standing Committee different from, and in addition to those set out in Article XI; and second, that the proposed amendment was not transmitted to the congregations more than 30 days before this Synod, in violation of Canon 54, Section 1 or Article XVI of the Constitution. Therefore, the Committee moved that the Chair of this 143rd Synod, in consultation with the Diocesan Chancellor, rule the proposed legislation concerning the proposed canonical amendment to be out of order, for either of the reasons stated, and shall be withdrawn from consideration by this Synod. The Chair after consultation with the Parliamentarian stated that a motion by Committee does not require a second and called upon the Parliamentarian for further explanation. Chancellor Babb as Parliamentarian said that the Committee motion is in the nature of a motion to lay on the table indefinitely, which is not debatable. The Rev. Canon Dale D. Coleman, St. Andrew’s Carbondale, raised a point of order that a Committee may not override Synod. Canon Coleman also said he believed that the Committee’s action should be deemed a substitute motion. He and other speakers spoke to their respective views on process and the underlying matter, with the Chair exercising its prerogative to allow a degree of flexibility in expressing and hearing comments by Synod members. Chancellor Babb said that a motion to lay on the table is the prerogative of any deliberative body. Regarding comments on aspersions, he cautioned that it is improper in debate to attribute improper motives to another member of the body and also improper to interrupt a speaker. The motion by the Committee to lay on the table is an appropriate motion. The only proper next step is to vote on the motion. Bishop Martins as Chair said that he consulted with the Communications staff and understood that Synod did not have a poll set up to conduct a vote on a motion from Committee. Therefore, in exercising the prerogative of the Chair, Bishop Martins deferred the matter informally to be considered later in the Synod. He then called for a recess at 11:12am.

At 11:30am, Bishop Martins reconvened Synod. The Chair reported that he had consulted with the Chairman, Committee on Legislation and with the Parliamentarian, and understood that the Chair is being called upon for a ruling as to the form of the proposed change to Canon, not as to substance. The Chair ruled that the Committee motion is binding for a vote but that he was not inclined to rule that way. The Chair then put the question from the Committee that the proposed Resolution is to be laid upon the table. By electronic poll, Synod approved the motion 74-25. The Chair declared that the motion was approved.

18. **Report – Trustees.** Mr. Monty submitted the report by Title.

19. **Report – Department of Audit.** Deacon Langford submitted the report by Title.

20. **Report – Department of Mission.** No report.

21. **Report – Secretary.** Deacon Leighton submitted the report by Title.

22. **Report - Standing Committee.** The Rev. Beth H. Maynard submitted the report by Title. Mother Maynard added that the Election Committee has been hard at work, conducting meetings with other dioceses and the Elections Consultant from the Office of Pastoral Development of the Episcopal Church, and preparing for the “Listening Phase” to development of the Diocesan Profile. She commended the members of the Election Committee for their faithful work, striving for transparency in the process:

The Very Reverend Sherry Black, Chair, St. Mark’s, West Frankfort, IL
The Very Reverend Zachary Brooks, Trinity, Jacksonville, IL
Ms. Mary Ann Denney, St. Luke’s, Springfield, IL
Ms. Jan Goosens, St. Thomas’, Glen Carbon, IL
Mr. William Jackson, St. Luke’s, Springfield, IL
Mr. James Keith, St. John’s, Decatur, IL
Mr. Don Kensell, St. John the Baptist, Mt. Carmel, IL
Mr. Roy Laws, St. Matthew’s, Bloomington, IL
Mr. Rod Matthews, Co-Chair, Christ the King, Normal, IL
Mr. Charles Rice, St. Paul’s, Carlinville, IL
Ms. Fredna Scroggins, St. Andrew’s, Edwardsville, IL
Mr. Norm Taylor, Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Springfield, IL
Mr. Bill Techau, Emmanuel Memorial, Champaign, IL
Ms. Kelley Wegeng, The Chapel of St. John the Divine, Champaign, IL
The Reverend David Wells, Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Springfield, IL

23. **Report - Commission on Ministry.** The Rev. John R. Henry, Chair, submitted the report by Title. Fr. Henry also announced that the Commission would next meet on November 21 with a meeting in person planned at the Diocesan Center.

24. **Other Reports – Deanery Reports, Cursillo, Youth Work, National and World Mission, Disciplinary Board, Chancellor, Archivist, Episcopal Church Women, Province V Executive Council:** all by Title.

25. **Miscellaneous Business:** Three of the appointments shown on page 39 of the Synod Book needed confirmations by Synod:

Chair, Department of Audit	The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford
Chair, Department of Finance	Mr. Charles Rice
Chair, Department of Mission	Mr. Timothy R. McNutt

By unified motion duly made and seconded, Synod adopted the motion to confirm each of those appointments by electronic poll vote 93-5. The Chair also announced the following appointments (expiration shown in parentheses):

Diocesan Council	Mr. Marc Graves
Diocesan Council	The Rev. Cynthia A. Sever
Commission on Ministry, Chair	The Rev. John R. Henry
Commission on Ministry (Oct 2021)	Ms. Stacie Wachtel

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Commission on Ministry (Oct 2023)
Chancellor (Oct 2021)
Archivist (Oct 2023)

Mr. Frank Jones
The Rev. John R. Henry
Ms. Katy Cave
The Rev. Christopher B. Simpson
Mr. Randy Winn
Kevin J. Babb, Esq.
[to be announced]

Deans and Deanery Representatives to Council

Darrow Dean (2022)
Darrow Representative (2021)
Eastern Dean (2022)
Eastern Representative (2021)
Hale Dean (2022)
Hale Representative (2022)
Northern Dean (2021)
Northern Representative (2021)
Northeastern Dean (2021)
Northeastern Representative (2022)
Northwestern Dean (2021)
Northwestern Representative (2022)

The Very Rev. Benjamin D. Hankinson, Jr.
Ms. Diane Martin
The Rev. G. William Howard III
Mr. Dan Shuler
The Very Rev. Sheryl L. Black
Ms. Dana Harris
The Very Rev. John D. Richmond
Ms. Laurie Walter
The Very Rev. Richard I. Lewis
Mr. Richard Tribe
The Very Rev. Zachary D. Brooks
Ms. Mary Ann Denney

26. Good of the Order.

Ms. Joyce C. Wright, Chapel of St. John the Divine, Champaign, updated Synod regarding United Thank Offering and expressed appreciation for the ingathering.

27. Committee on Resolutions (Courtesy Resolutions). The Rev. Matthew C. Dallman presented five Courtesy Resolutions (Appendix A to these minutes), which were approved by Synod:

20-C 5 Clergy Who Have Left the Diocese, which after modification to include the Rev. David J. Halt who served as a priest of this Diocese and is now serving in the Diocese of Dallas, was adopted by voice vote.

20-C 6 Clergy Who Have Died - the One Hundred Forty Third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield rose in silence and remembered with prayer the Very Rev. Gus L. Franklin and the Rev. D. Joe Dunlap, two servants who have joined the Church Triumphant.

20-C 7 Thank you for Service to the Diocese – the Rev. Christopher L. Ashmore and Mr. Joe Patterson, members of Standing Committee; the Very Rev. Andrew S. Hook and the Rev. Christine C. Hopkins, members of Diocesan Council; Mr. Randy Winn and Mr. Gerry Smith, Co-Chairs, Department of Mission and members of Diocesan Council; the Very Rev. David J. Halt, member of Diocesan Council, Dean of the Northern Deanery and member of Commission on Ministry; the Rt. Rev. Anthony F.M. Clavier, member of Diocesan Council and Acting Dean of the Darrow Deanery; Mr. Charlie Rice, representative of Northwestern Deanery; Mr. Mark Dirksen, Mr. Stephen Pearson, Mr. Chris Bennett and the Rev. G. Timothy Leighton, members of Commission on Ministry; Ms. Judith Puckett, Archivist of the Diocese.

20-C 8 Thank You to the Rev. Shawn W. Denney for his Ministry as Archdeacon, as a member and president of Standing Committee, Vice President of Diocesan Council, member of the Commission on Ministry, Department of Finance, Department of General

Mission Strategy, Department of Communication, Department of Ecumenical Relations, Committee on Constitution and Canons, and as General Convention Deputy.

20-C 9 Thank You to the Synod Task Force.

28. **INVITATION TO THE ONE HUNDRED FORTY FOURTH SYNOD.** By general consensus, discussion regarding location and dates of next Synod was deferred pending developments regarding COVID-19 and the work of the Election Committee.

29. **BLESSING AND ADJOURNMENT.** Bishop Martins gave the blessing, following which the Synod adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
The Rev. Tim Leighton, Secretary

APPENDIX I

CLERICAL MEMBERS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE – 143rd SYNOD

Names with an asterisk () indicates attendance at Synod*

BISHOPS

*The Rt. Rev. Daniel H. Martins

*The Rt. Rev. Anthony F. M. Clavier

PRIESTS AND DEACONS

*The Rev. Dr. W. Carter Aikin

The Rev. Ann L. Alley

*The Rev. Christopher L. Ashmore

*The Rev. Can. David M. Baumann

*The Rev. Dr. Virginia L. Bennett

*The Very Rev. Sheryl L. Black

The Rev. Canon Elliot H. Blackburn

The Rev. David J. Boase

The Rev. Philip D. Boeve

The Rev. Canon Martha J. Bradley

*The Very Rev. Zachary D. Brooks

*The Rev. Canon Dale D. Coleman

The Rev. M. Joan Coleman

*The Rev. Donald E. Coventry

*The Rev. James O. Cravens

*The Rev. Matthew C. Dallman

*The Rev. Shawn W. Denney

The Rev. Paul R. Dicks

*The Rev. Canon Mark E. Evans

*The Rev. Sean D. Ferrell

The Rev. Timothy A. Goodman

The Rev. M. Christine Gregory

The Rev. Jon E. Griffin

The Rev. Dr. E. Eugene Hall

The Rev. Canon Timothy J. Hallett

The Rev. David J. Halt

*The Rev. Benjamin D. Hankinson, Jr.

*The Rev. Robert D. Harmon

The Rev. Brant V. Hazlett

*The Rev. John R. Henry

*The Rev. Dr. Arnold R. Hoffman

*The Rev. Scott M. Hoogerhyde

*The Very Rev. Andrew S. Hook

*The Rev. Christine C. Hopkins

*The Rev. George W. Howard, III

The Rev. Sylvia L. Howard

The Rev. Brian T. Kellington

The Rev. Laurie R. Kellington

*The Rev. Matthew B. Kemp

*The Rev. Canon R. Brien Koehler

The Rev. Jeffrey F. Kozuszek

*The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford

The Rev. Donald H. Langlois

The Rev. Maurice C. Lee

*The Rev. G. Timothy Leighton

The Rev. Philip M. Lewis

*The Very Rev. Richard I. Lewis

*The Rev. Beth H. Maynard

The Rev. Dr. Ralph N. McMichael

The Rev. Joel J. Morsch

*The Rev. James K. Muriuki

*The Rev. Michael J. Newago

The Rev. Thomas D. Patton

The Rev. Canon Dr. George E. Pence

The Rev. T. Larison Phillips

The Rev. Gerald W. Raschke

The Rev. Charles J. Reischman

*The Rev. John D. Richmond

*The Rev. Geoffrey E. L. Scanlon

*The Rev. Donald J. Schranz

*The Rev. Cynthia A. Sever

The Rev. J. Victor Sheldon

*The Rev. Christopher B. Simpson

*The Rev. Canon Eugene A. Stormer

*The Rev. Richard A. Swan

*The Rev. Steven T. Thorp

The Rev. Ann H. Tofani

*The Rev. Dr. Gregory A. Tournoux

The Rev. Dr. John F. Wall

*The Rev. Mary Christine Mollie Ward

*The Rev. David L. Wells

ELECTED LAY DELEGATES – 143rd SYNOD

An asterisk () indicates attendance at Synod*

Albion, St. John's

Judith Puckett
*David Works

Alton, Episcopal Parish

*Thomas Harris
*Diane Martin

Belleville, St. George's

*Cindy Lynk
*Brian Maves

Bloomington, St. Matthew's

*James Cooper
*Craig Matsuda
*Gary Ploense

Cairo, Redeemer

*Dana Harris
*Lenard Harris

Carbondale, St. Andrew's

*Tammy Keefer Free
*Donald Monty

Carlinville, St. Paul's

*Mary Lattan-Shaw
*Charlie Rice

Centralia, St. John's

*Carol McCrary
*Erin McCrary

Champaign, Chapel of St. John the Divine

*James Fallaw
*Willie Guenther
*Kathleen Ricker

Champaign, Emmanuel

*Tom Barnard
*Wendy Bauer
*Lisa Kocheril

Danville, Holy Trinity

Richard Tribe
*Diana Wyatt

Decatur, St. John's

*Sara Davis
*Judy Ellison

Edwardsville, St. Andrew's

*Kevin Babb
*Fredna Scroggins

Glen Carbon, St. Thomas'

*Gary Goossens
*Jan Goossens

Granite City, St. Bartholomew's

*Larry Martin
*Mary Gale Martin

Harrisburg, St. Stephen's

*Cheri King
*Helen Williams

Havana, St. Barnabas'

*Debbie Opp
*Mark Opp

Jacksonville, Trinity

John Clancy
Bruce Evans

Lincoln, Trinity

*Parker Asplin
*Galen Wickline

Mattoon, Trinity

*Nancy Cole
*Greg Staton

Morton, All Saints'

*April Hoyer
*Brian Ruffatto

Mt. Carmel, St. John the Baptist

Derek Archer
*Donald Kensell

Mt. Vernon, Trinity

Tracy Adams
Esther Schelosky

Normal, Christ the King

*Keith Gehrand
*Dee Matthews

O'Fallon, St. Michael's

*Bill Dusenbery
*Debbie LaFreniere

Pekin, St. Paul's

*Sharon Robinson
*Sheri Robinson

Rantoul, St. Christopher

Fran Biederman
*Liz Orr

Robinson, St. Mary's

Michael Clark
*R. J. Rains

Salem, St. Thomas'

*Sue Davis
*Dan Shuler

Springfield, Cathedral Church of St. Paul

*Rob Dinsmore
*Joe Patterson
*Norm Taylor

Springfield, Christ Church

*Anne Cornelius
*Cynthia Knight

Springfield, St. Luke's

*Patricia Jackson
*William Jackson

West Frankfort, St. Mark's

*Carol Marshall
*Catherine Wilson

APPENDIX II

SYNOD COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Inspectors of Elections - Clerical	The Rev. David L. Wells David Works
Inspectors of Elections - Lay	The Very Rev. Sheryl L. Black Sue Davis
Committee on Legislation (Constitution & Canons)	*The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford The Rev. G. Timothy Leighton Don Monty Charlie Rice
Committee on Resolutions	*The Rev. Matthew C. Dallman The Very Rev. Zachary D. Brooks Helen Williams Anne Cornelius
Parliamentarian	Kevin J. Babb

* *Indicates Chair of Committee*

APPENDIX III

SUMMARY OF ELECTIONS

Office

Secretary (1 person – 1 yr.)	G. Timothy Leighton
Treasurer (1 person – 1 yr.)	Rod Matthews
Standing Committee (1 presbyter – 4 yr.)	The Rev. James K. Muriuki
Standing Committee (1 lay – 4 yr.)	Randy Winn
Trustee (1 person – 5 yr.)	Donald Monty
Diocesan Council (1 clergy – 2 yr.)	The Rev. David L. Wells
Diocesan Council (1 lay – 2 yr.)	Ellen Burbage
Commission on Ministry (1 presbyter – 3 yr.)	The Very Rev. Richard I. Lewis
Disciplinary Board (1 clergy – 3 yr.)	The Rev. Donald E. Coventry
Disciplinary Board (1 clergy – 3 yr.)	The Rev. Dr. Gregory A. Tournoux
Disciplinary Board (1 lay – 3 yr.)	Larry Clark
Provincial Synod Delegate (1 clerical – 3 yr.)	The Very Rev. Andrew S. Hook

APPENDIX IV

BISHOP'S ADDRESS

This is the tenth annual synod of the Diocese of Springfield over which I have presided as bishop, and the eleventh that I had attended. With all the complicated emotions that surround the recognition of such a reality, I must also acknowledge that this is my final one—to preside over, at any rate; it's not impossible that I might be present at future synods, as I will most likely remain a canonically resident member of the clergy of this diocese. For me, at least, there is no aspect of the last decade that has felt like it has dragged on slowly. On the contrary, it feels like last week that you welcomed me, as bishop-elect, to the 2010 synod in Champaign. If my math is correct, we have walked together through nearly 7% of the total history of the Diocese of Springfield. My successor will probably get to celebrate with you the sesquicentennial of the diocese seven years from now, and I hope there will be a proper celebration!

Of course, this 143rd synod meets under circumstances that could scarcely have been imagined a year ago when we gathered in Alton. I haven't had an opportunity to rummage through the archives for an indication of what our forebears did in 1918 during Spanish Flu pandemic. I know that masks were in vogue during that crisis, but I also know that they didn't have Zoom. While Zoom and similar platforms are not without their detractors, I feel like, on the whole, it's been a tremendous blessing to church communities across the world in helping us maintain the bonds of community as we continue to wait in hope for deliverance from this plague.

A great many people have their fingerprints on any given iteration of synod. However, the odd circumstances under which we are operating this year changes the cast of characters somewhat. We don't have a host parish. The good folks from Marion and Jefferson Counties were all set to shoulder that burden, but the coronavirus relieved them of it. Into the breach stepped a dedicated working group convened by Canon Mark Evans, with invaluable technical assistance from Pete Sherman of St Luke's, Springfield. Sue Spring, of course, contributed the accumulated knowledge and wisdom of her years on the job making synod happen. But the true tip of the spear, the heroine of the moment, is our Communications Coordinator, Hannah Dallman. Hannah leveraged her knowledge of Breeze, our database system, with takeaways from online meetings of her peers in other dioceses, to work together with the rest of the team to make possible what we're experiencing, and perhaps even enjoying at some level, at this moment. She has given us the heavy lift when we needed it, and I just want to acknowledge that. If we were together in person, this would be a moment for applause.

I want to briefly speak to an amendment to that canons that has been proposed, since it would be inappropriate for me to do so from the chair during floor debate. The proposal would prohibit the occupants of three offices—Treasurer, Chancellor, and the position formerly known as Archdeacon and now styled Canon-to-the-Ordinary—it would prevent these three persons from standing for election to the Standing Committee. (Please note that anyone already on the Standing Committee who holds or has held one of the positions would be grandfathered in; the new canon would only address future elections.) The purpose of the change in our canons is to promote transparency and accountability. One of the functions of the Standing Committee, under both national and diocesan canons, is to serve as a Council of Advice to the Bishop. And it's the Standing Committee's role to serve, when necessary, as a check on the exercise of unbridled

authority by the Bishop. This is why, for instance, the Standing Committee has to approve of ordinations. The “Bishop’s Assistant”—using canonical language, currently the Canon to the Ordinary—the Bishop’s Assistant is appointed by the Bishop and serves completely at the Bishop’s pleasure, as a member of the Bishop’s senior staff. The Chancellor, who is nominated by the Bishop and ratified by synod, serves as legal counsel to both the Bishop **and** the Standing Committee (as well as to the Trustees). But it is not impossible, as we have recently seen, for the Bishop and Standing Committee to be facing each other across a perceptual divide. If the Chancellor is a member of the Standing Committee, this skews the power of his office in favor of the Standing Committee and against one of his clients. The Treasurer is elected by synod and does not “report” to the Bishop in any official way. However, the Treasurer and the Bishop do have a fairly close working relationship, and both have seats in the deliberations of the Department of Finance. Again, to have the Treasurer also sit on the Standing Committee “comingles” the lines of authority and responsibility. More to the point, perhaps, it is highly likely that, during the course of any bishop’s tenure, that will bishop will want to seek the advice of the Standing Committee regarding relationships with one or more of these office holders. If one of them is actually **on** the Standing Committee, it is impossible, practically, for the Bishop to do so, and impossible for the Standing Committee to fulfill its canonical function. So, I hope this proposal gets a full deliberative airing when it comes up, and I hope that the required two-thirds majority votes Aye.

Switching gears now ... perhaps you’ve seen a cartoon that pictures a pastor giving his final sermon in a parish. He’s depicted in the pulpit, but, through a window behind him, you can see a moving van parked right alongside the church. Evidently, he’s positioned himself for a quick getaway, because, presumably, he’s planning on saying a few things that he may have held back from saying before that moment. Well, I’m not quite in that position—I’ve got a few more months before I hand over the crozier. But this **is** my valedictory, of sorts, my opportunity to be a little more candid than I otherwise might be, as well as a little more reflective. So, what is most on my heart for you to hear and know as we look toward welcoming the 12th Bishop of Springfield?

If you were to go back and look at the written and video materials that I and all the other candidates in 2010 were asked to submit, you will find that I was fond of the expression “skate ahead of the puck,” a metaphor from hockey that alludes to the mental habit of not simply seeking to understand things as they are, but to anticipate things as they **will be**. In using that expression, I was indicating a desire to lead the diocese toward not just acknowledging but **embracing** the rapidly emerging post-Christian era in our society, embracing it with intentionality and confidence. In my own mind and heart, my audacious goal was, upon my retirement, to leave behind a church that knows how to flourish in a hostile culture. Most of you remember my parish hall stump speech, which I delivered tenaciously all over the diocese, at every visitation, during at least the first couple of years of my ministry here. “Business as usual is a road to slow death,” I said. “Attracting new people to our Sunday services is not a mission strategy. Instead, we’ve got to ‘move into the neighborhood,’ to constantly ask ourselves what’s keeping our neighbors up at night and how would knowing Jesus give them rest and peace?”

We adopted a rather ambitious mission strategy statement, that has not been rescinded: “The Diocese of Springfield is **one church**, organized for mission into geographic parishes,

manifested in eucharistic communities and communities-in-formation, with a goal of being concretely incarnate in all of the 60 counties of central and southern Illinois.”

I won't lie to you. I had hoped that we would make a lot more progress toward these ends on my watch. I am not walking off the stage without a significant measure of disappointment that we have not. The power of the societal change wave has been enormous, and, more importantly, as I've needed often to remind myself, I'm not in charge! The Holy Spirit is in charge. God is sovereign.

So, it is probably good to look at the last ten years and inquire ... what has God done among us? We would probably all answer that question in a different way, but here are some of **my** answers:

#1: God has led us to change our language about mission and evangelism. Changing the way we speak is a necessary prelude to changing the way we act. Not a **sufficient** prelude, but a necessary one. Speaking of Eucharistic Communities instead of parishes and missions, of Mission Leadership Teams rather than Vestries and Bishop's Committees, using the word "parish" to denote a geographic area—these are the linguistic habits that will become mental habits that will lead us to take more focused responsibility for being a community that announces good news to the poor and recovery of sight to the blind. It's painful and uncomfortable, and I share that pain and discomfort. But let's keep doing it.

#2: God has led us to place responsibility for mission at the level of the local parish community—and I use the term "parish" in both its comfortable and uncomfortable senses. We're not the sort of diocese that has the centralized resources to "plant" new congregations in the way that some of our larger cousins have been doing with some degree of success. The kind of church planting we have been gearing up to do is more local and more organic, with people from the Eucharistic Communities that **do** exist incarnating themselves in places where we have no church community at present and making new disciples in those places—evangelizing, catechizing, and baptizing **in** the new places, not simply inviting them to drive to where we already are.

#3: God has led us to hold one another accountable. We now have a canonical requirement for each Eucharistic Community, or organized geographic parish, to produce an annual Mission Strategy Report. A report will not in itself guarantee that something gets done, but **not** developing a mission strategy **will** pretty much guarantee that **nothing** gets done by way of mission development.

#4: God has enabled us to up our communication game. The creation of a Communication Coordinator position grew organically from a meeting of diocesan leaders several years ago. Many could quite plausibly argue that our first foray in that direction was far less than a resounding success. But, after pressing the reset button, we found a winner. In the last couple of years, our social media footprint has increased dramatically, website content is robust, and the number of people who are engaging in communication at a diocesan level is steadily increasing. This is a success story, my friends.

#5: God has blessed us even when we weren't looking, or even particularly trying. Some years ago, Redeemer in Cairo was on the verge of being shut down and rolled up. Now it's a vibrant

example of incarnational ministry. Trinity, Lincoln was kind of a sleepy, county-seat parish, with the usual rapidly aging demographic. Now it's got perhaps the lowest median age in the diocese and has become a veritable spigot of high-quality vocations to the priesthood. Both in Lincoln and in Carlinville, a very organic, small batch," one might say "artisanal," form of campus ministry is happening, without big budgets or programs. Seeds of the same sort of thing have been happening in Jacksonville. Emmanuel, Champaign has been quietly busting out in ministry and mission in that corner of the diocese. The list could go on—please forgive me if I've overlooked something. God is good.

#6: God has sent us some incredibly capable and dedicated clergy, and raised up an abundance of promising candidates in the ordination process, and through some of these, we have greatly blessed the wider church—going back through the years now, I'm thinking of Cameron Nations (now in the Diocese of Texas), Jason Murbarger in Central Florida, Charleston Wilson in Southwest Florida, Allen Wakabayashi and Diane Mumma-Wakabayashi in New Jersey, Jonathan Totty in Dallas, and Shane Spellmeyer in Northern Michigan.

Our missionary vision was and is apostolic, and it was evident early on that we needed to focus on raising up **disciples** who would give themselves to such apostolic ministry. I am excited when I look around the diocese because, literally everywhere I go, I see people taking their faith seriously. I see people learning to pray. I see people studying the scriptures and reaching out into the world with the love of God made known in Christ. Yes, we have more progress to make, but we have so many opportunities to acknowledge God's faithfulness, and this is what gives me hope as I look into the future that will every bit as challenging for the communities of this diocese as the last decade has been.

The profile of the 11th bishop will be quickly eclipsed when the 12th bishop is elected and consecrated. So, this is my last chance to say publicly what I hope might happen, and that is the foundation we have laid together will be built on: I hope that the general shape of mission strategy we have been pursuing—parish-based and incarnational—will be retained. I hope that the idea of forming a "geographic parish" where the current Eucharistic Communities are closely clustered will be courageously pursued. Specifically, I'm thinking of Tazewell (where there have been baby steps), McLean, Sangamon, St Clair, Madison, Marion, and the IL13 corridor. Pursuing mission in such a coordinated manner is the only thing that makes sense in the cultural environment of the foreseeable future. The main thing standing in the way, I have to say, is pride and stubbornness. In his letter to the Philippians, St Paul addresses two members of that community named Eudodia and Syntyche, both of whom he loves and cares for, and both of whom, one might surmise, have potential for effectively ministry. But they are at each other throats, it seems, to the detriment of their mission. Paul implores them to get their act together. So I implore those in the areas I have just mentioned: Euodia and Syntyche—figure it out! Figure it out, for the sake of the gospel.

A brief word now about Springfield's position with respect to the larger Episcopal Church. Ten years ago, this was a hot issue. I'm glad to say that it's got a much lower profile now, though there are still tensions. Along with the dioceses of Dallas, Central Florida, Tennessee, Albany, and, effectively, Florida and West Texas, along with the offshore dioceses of Honduras, Colombia, and the Dominican Republic, we're part of the minority party (though I'm certainly aware that we are not all of one mind about that even within the diocese). So I think we need to

continue to be engaged—but engaged cautiously. I’m glad we’re talking about sex and marriage less—really glad. But the underlying issue is still very much out there, and it’s got nothing to do with sex or marriage. It has everything to do with whether the core of the Good News is about the grace and power made available through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ or the necessity of doing more and trying harder to make the world a better place. The first is the real gospel; the second is about human ego. Resist it! Firmly.

My beloved, when I was elected to this ministry in 2010, Brenda went to a pottery artisan in Winona Lake, Indiana, right next to the town where we were living at the time, and ordered a mug inscribed with the words of the Greeks who approached the apostle Philip in the 12th chapter of John’s gospel: “We would see Jesus.” From the bottom of my heart, and with daily discipline, I have endeavored to show you Jesus for the last ten years. I have often failed—of that I am certain—and may or may not have ever succeeded. But that has always been what I have wanted to do and tried to do. From those of you whom I have failed, I ask your forgiveness. From those of you whom I have inspired or taught or led or blessed in some way, I ask your continued prayers.

May the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight.

Thank-you for the unspeakable privilege of being your pastor.

The Rt. Rev. Daniel H. Martins

APPENDIX V

REPORT – TREASURER

The Diocese ended 2019 with a deficit of (-\$137,966.82) or 56% of the projected 2019 deficit of (-\$245,520.00).

At year-end December 31, 2019, total income was \$802,695.40 or \$10,745.40 more than budgeted revenues of \$791,950. Total income increased by \$8,902.14 over 2018. This was primarily driven by 4011 Pledges – Prior Years of +\$75,559.47 (up \$3,690.47 from 2018) and 4045 Interest Income of \$27,001.88 (up \$13,981.82 from 2018). 4010 Current year Pledges of \$547,841.87 were 98% of 2018 - down \$11,837.97 from 2018 Current year pledges of \$559,679.84.

Total Expenses were \$940,662.22 or (-\$96,807.78) less than budgeted expenses of \$1,037,470 (91% of budgeted expenses) and \$32,570.82 less than 2018 actual expenses of \$973,233.04.

For the last several years we have run annual deficits in the Diocese. Those deficits by the end of each year came in less than projected. Simultaneously, the operating checking account at IL National Bank (INB) carried sufficient balances to fund the deficits without the need to tap the Combined Account investments to make up the deficits.

Note: The audit is available for your review from the Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,
Rod Matthews, Treasurer

RESERVE ACCOUNTS—DECEMBER 31, 2019

UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE

Retained Earnings	463,394.64
TOTAL UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	463,394.64

DESIGNATED FUND BALANCE

General Reserve	2,434.49
General Convention Travel	2,559.44
Lambeth Conference	9,510.34
Mission Development	113,386.45
Mission & Ministry Grant Fund	4,603.22
Campus Development	302.74
Seminarian Aid	21,454.69
Camps and Conferences	93,661.50
Camp Scholarship	58,883.00
St. Peter's Chesterfield	(8,584.81)
Gillette/Clergy Fund	7,198.30
Continuing Education Fund	10,243.40
National Gathering	330.00
Bishop's Auto Reserve	15,732.54
Rental House	8,752.97
Effingham Capital Fund	22,027.87
TOTAL DESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	362,496.14

OPERATING FUND – DECEMBER 31, 2019

REVENUES			
		2019 Budget	2019 Actual
INCOME			
4010	Pledges	635,000	547,841.87
4011	Pledges – Prior Year	0	75,559.47
4045	Interest Income	9,200	27,001.88
4050	Miscellaneous	1,250	997.09
4060	Endowment of the Episcopate	105,000	105,109.10
4075	Springfield Current - Gifts	1,500	1,530.00
4076	Other Income	40,000	44,655.99
TOTAL INCOME		791,950	802,695.40
EXPENDITURES			
SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE			
Bishop			
5112	Stipend	82,860	82,860.00
5114	Pension	22,475	22,474.80
5116	Travel and Entertainment	15,000	14,117.06
5117	Car Purchase Reserve	7,900	1,340.97
5119	Continuing Education	5,000	35.00
5121	Sabbatical	1,000	0.00
5126	Housing Allowance	42,000	42,000.00
5130	Insurance	22,718	23,500.80
	Total - Bishop	198,953	186,328.63
Staff Compensation			
	Total – Staff Compensation	201,062	194,918.68
Staff Pension			
	Total – Staff Pension	30,643	28,140.24
Staff Social Security			
	Total – Staff Social Security	7,601	5,779.08
Staff Insurance			
	Total – Staff Insurance	18,966	18,858.00
Staff Travel & Conference			
	Total – Staff Travel & Conference	6,100	5,984.65
Total - Support of Episcopate		463,325	440,009.28

		2019 Budget	2019 Actual
NON-DIOCESAN EXPENSE			
5302	Outreach Fund	50,000	22,500.00
	5303 DFMS	0	21,885.09
5304	Province V Synod	2,000	1,315.37
5310	General Convention Travel	11,000	0.00
5314	Lambeth Conference - 2020	2,000	6,396.49
Total - Non-Diocesan		65,000	52,096.95
DIOCESAN EXPENSE			
5362	Additional Office Staff	8,704	8,710.01
5363	Social Security	1,648	809.81
5368	Accounting	10,500	11,041.47
5370	Office Expense	12,500	7,763.86
5378	Utilities	8,000	8,781.00
5380	Telephone	6,100	4,368.88
5382	Maintenance	14,000	9,927.72
5383	Conferences & Events	3,000	4,871.20
5384	Diocesan Synod Expense - Host	500	500.00
5385	Capital Improvements	5,000	3,491.89
5389	Mission Support	70,000	75,903.24
5563	Clergy & Family Wellness	9,000	10,226.25
5570	Communication (<i>Current</i>)	8,300	7,073.24
5574	Web Site	1,000	1,040.00
5806	Summer Camp Support	12,000	12,000.00
5808	Camp Scholarships	1,500	912.00
5854	Support of Seminarians	12,000	28,500.00
5914	Contingency Expense	9,000	1,951.74
	Sub-total	192,752	197,872.31
Insurance			
5452	Clergy Group	267,173	225,582.80
5454	Property/Liability	8,000	5,830.00
5460	Worker's Compensation	2,400	1,994.00
	Sub-total	277,573	233,406.80
Total - Diocesan		470,325	431,279.11
DEPARTMENTS			
Department of Audit			
5369	Annual Audit	7,620	14,985.00
Department of Finance			
5564	Stewardship	1,000	0.00

		2019 Budget	2019 Actual
PROGRAMS			
5566	General	5,000	0.00
5802	General - Youth	4,000	0.00
5809	St Michael's Conference	6,000	0.00
5754	Ecumenical Relations	1,000	300.00
5850	National & World Mission	7,500	0.00
5855	Cursillo	1,400	1,200.00
	Sub-total	24,900	1,500.00
Total - Program Departments		33,520	16,485.00
MISCELLANEOUS			
5852	Commission on Ministry	3,500	791.88
5904	Standing Committee	500	0.00
5906	Secretary of the Diocese	200	0.00
5908	Historiographer	100	0.00
5910	Disciplinary Board	0	0.00
5912	Episcopal Church Women	1,000	0.00
Total - Miscellaneous		5,300	791.88
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		1,037,470	940,662.22
Excess Revenues over Expenditures or <Deficiency>		(245,520)	(137,966.82)
Reserves			
		(245,520)	(137,966.82)

**APPENDIX VI REPORT – DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
PROPOSED 2021 BUDGET – OPERATING FUND**

REVENUES		2020 Budget	2020 Budget Actual 6/30/20	Council Approved 8/15/2020
INCOME				
4010	Pledges	600,000	192,147.34	600,000
4011	Pledges - Prior Years*	0	60,563.86	0
4045	Interest Income	9,200	15,075.76	9,200
4050	Miscellaneous	1,250	11.48	1,250
4060	Endowment of the Episcopate	105,000	52,192.89	105,000
4075	Springfield Current - Gifts	1,500	560.00	1,500
4076	Other Income	40,000	14,490.94	40,000
TOTAL INCOME		756,950	335,042.27	756,950

EXPENDITURES

SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE

Bishop

5112	Stipend	85,357	42,678.48	85,357
5114	Pension	22,924	11,462.16	22,924
5116	Travel and Entertainment	15,000	5,807.50	15,000
5117	Car Purchase Reserve	7,900	540.99	7,900
5119	Continuing Education	5,000	0.00	5,000
5121	Sabbatical	1,000	0.00	1,000
5126	Housing Allowance	42,000	21,000.00	42,000
5130	Insurance	22,846	12,566.40	26,736
Total - Bishop		202,027	94,055.53	205,917

Diocesan Administrator

5202	Salary	59,099	29,549.52	59,099
5204	Pension Plan	5,319	2,659.44	5,319
5206	Social Security	4,728	2,260.56	4,728
5208	Insurance	6,000	2,218.98	6,000
Total - Diocesan Administrator		75,146	36,688.50	75,146

Archdeacon \ Canon to the Ordinary

5252	Stipend	25,369	18,644.25	15,000
5254	Housing Allowance	32,488	17,488.26	30,000
5256	Pension	10,554	6,503.91	8,100
5260	Travel	3,875	0.00	500
TBA	Insurance (Life)			149
Total - Archdeacon		72,286	42,636.42	53,749

Mission Strategy Developer

5217	Stipend (Havana reimburses \$28,366)	56,732	28,366.02	56,732
5218	Pension	13,275	6,637.62	13,275
5219	Travel	3,000	1,454.17	3,000
5220	Insurance	14,260	7,192.20	15,386
Total- Mission Strategy Developer		87,267	43,650.01	88,393

Total - Support of Episcopate

436,726 217,030.46 423,205

	2020 Budget	2020 Budget Actual 6/30/20	Council Approved 8/15/20
NON-DIOCESAN EXPENSE			
5302 Outreach	60,000	12,000.00	60,000
5303 DFMS as designated by EC	0	11,657.62	0
5304 Province V Synod	2,000	1,225.21	2,000
5310 General Convention Travel	11,000	0.00	11,000
5314 Lambeth Conference	2,000	0.00	2,000
Total - Non-Diocesan	75,000	24,882.83	75,000
DIOCESAN EXPENSE			
5362 Additional Office Staff	8,884	1,195.60	8,884
5363 Social Security	711	149.20	711
5368 Accounting	11,000	7,958.50	11,000
5370 Office Expense	10,000	5,121.62	10,000
5378 Utilities	9,000	3,912.00	9,000
5380 Telephone	5,000	2,245.84	5,000
5382 Maintenance	10,000	5,779.00	10,000
5383 Conferences & Events	4,300	0.00	4,300
5384 Diocesan Synod Expense - Host	500	0.00	500
5385 Capital Improvements	15,000	8,489.08	5,000
5389 Mission Support	79,042	39,583.20	80,168
5563 Clergy & Family Wellness	6,000	5,976.80	6,000
5570 Communication	48,300	23,742.27	48,300
5574 Web Site	1,000	611.39	1,000
5806 Summer Camp Support	16,500	0.00	16,500
5808 Camp Scholarships	1,500	0.00	1,500
5854 Support of Seminarians	12,000	4,850.00	12,000
5914 Contingency Expense	5,000	1,715.11	5,000
Sub-total	243,737.00	111,329.61	234,863.00
Insurance			
5452 Clergy Group	280,193	121,843.90	311,642
5454 Property/Liability	5,300	2,271.00	5,300
5460 Worker's Compensation	1,500	1,488.00	1,500
Sub-total	286,993	125,602.90	318,442
Total - Diocesan	530,730.00	236,932.51	553,305.10
DEPARTMENTS			
Department of Audit			
5369 Annual Audit	7,849	0.00	7,849
Department of Finance			
5564 Stewardship	0	0.00	0

	2020 Budget	2020 Budget Actual 6/30/20	Council Approved 08/15/2020
PROGRAMS			
5566 General	2,500	0.00	0
5802 General - Youth	1,000	0.00	1,000
5809 St Michael's Conference	5,500	0.00	5,500
5754 Ecumenical Relations	1,000	0.00	1,000
5850 National & World Mission	7,500	0.00	7,500
5855 Cursillo	1,400	0.00	1,400
Sub-total	18,900	0.00	16,400
Total - Departments\Programs	26,749	0.00	24,249
MISCELLANEOUS			
5852 Commission on Ministry	2,500	2,415.00	2,500
5904 Standing Committee	60,000	0.00	60,000
5906 Secretary of the Diocese	200	0.00	200
5908 Historiographer	800	0.00	300
5910 Disciplinary Board	0	0.00	0
5912 Episcopal Church Women	1,000	0.00	2,000
Total - Miscellaneous	64,500	2,415.00	65,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,133,705	481,260.80	1,140,760
Excess Revenues over Expenditures or <Deficiency>	(376,755)	(146,218.53)	(383,810)
Reserves	(376,755)	(146,218.53)	(383,810)

4011 Pledges - Prior Years	June 30 th	December 31 st
2017	77,039.23	88,827.44
2018	69,498.00	71,869.00
2019	73,264.47	75,559.47
2020	60,563.86	

Year-End Budget vs. Actual History		
Year	Budget	Actual
2013	-\$19,920	\$108,512
2014	-\$36,030	-\$2,605
2015	-\$49,908	-\$192,599**
2016	-\$36,224	\$143,912
2017	-\$141,383	\$14,288
2018	-\$214,059	-\$179,440
2019	-\$245,520	-\$117,595

**2015 - \$316,359.39 Debt Forgiveness (Daycare - St. Thomas', Glen Carbon)

PLEDGE RECORD OF CHURCHES TO THE DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD				
Location	Church	2018 Actual Pledge	2019 Actual Pledge	2020 Pledge
Albion	St. John's	\$2,600.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,240.00
Alton	Episcopal Parish in Alton	\$23,840.00	\$19,276.00	\$14,645.00
Belleville	St. George's	\$22,125.55	\$30,789.75	\$33,430.00
Bloomington	St. Matthew's	\$35,485.00	\$37,545.00	\$30,000.00
Cairo	Church of the Redeemer	\$4,439.71	\$5,016.00	\$4,306.00
Carbondale	St. Andrew's	\$19,250.00	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00
Carlinville	St. Paul's	\$17,800.00	\$18,400.00	\$20,800.00
Centralia	St. John's	\$4,485.00	\$4,569.50	\$4,100.00
Champaign	Chapel of St. John the Divine	\$44,947.46	\$43,866.60	\$46,196.00
Champaign	Emmanuel Memorial	\$90,127.00	\$90,635.00	\$87,643.00
Danville	The Church of the Holy Trinity	\$12,167.00	\$12,655.48	\$12,585.45
Decatur	St. John's	\$38,888.00	\$35,093.70	\$27,857.00
Edwardsville	St. Andrew's	\$26,000.00	\$21,627.75	\$28,755.00
Glen Carbon	St. Thomas'	\$600.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,300.00
Granite City	St. Bartholomew's	\$2,830.00	\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00
Harrisburg	St. Stephen's	\$8,670.04	\$8,849.99	\$8,850.00
Havana	St. Barnabas'	\$10,020.00	\$12,092.60	\$13,093.00
Jacksonville	Trinity	\$35,438.50	\$38,748.00	\$33,900.00
Lincoln	Trinity	\$25,221.54	\$25,449.77	\$24,000.00
Mattoon	Trinity	\$7,665.00	\$9,672.00	\$7,165.00
Morton	All Saints'	\$8,637.23	\$10,798.91	\$8,086.00
Mt. Carmel	St. John the Baptist	\$38,465.00	\$34,559.25	\$32,970.00
Mt. Vernon	Trinity	\$12,173.53	\$11,129.68	\$7,710.00
Normal	Christ the King	\$13,905.45	\$14,820.30	\$10,369.00
O'Fallon	St. Michael's	\$12,305.28	\$24,028.11	\$15,105.00
Pekin	St. Paul's	\$17,334.18	\$16,804.95	\$16,410.00
Rantoul	St. Christopher's	\$1,964.00	\$2,000.00	\$600.00
Robinson	St. Mary's	\$2,016.00	\$1,523.00	\$1,149.00
Salem	St. Thomas'	\$2,885.00	\$2,100.00	\$2,000.00
Springfield	Cathedral Church of St. Paul	\$27,694.04	\$27,987.74	\$19,000.00
Springfield	Christ Church	\$51,000.00	\$48,357.00	\$46,205.00
Springfield	St. Luke's	\$9,893.55	\$8,512.80	\$8,400.00
W. Frankfort	St. Mark's	\$4,366.25	\$4,358.25	\$4,099.00
TOTAL		\$635,239.31	\$646,467.13	\$594,168.45

APPENDIX VII

REPORT – CONTINUING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATION

Proposed amendment to a Diocesan Canon:

We propose the following change to the Canons of the Episcopal Diocese of Springfield

To Title I, add a Canon 6:

Neither the Chancellor, nor the Treasurer, nor any Diocesan Assistant (as provided for in IV.29.6) shall be eligible for election to the Standing Committee.

The Rt. Rev. Tony Clavier

Vicar, St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, Glen Carbon and St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Granite City

The Rev. Michael Newago, Mission Strategy Developer, Episcopal Diocese of Springfield
Priest-in-Charge, St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church, Havana

The Rev. Cynthia A. Sever

Rector, The Episcopal Parish of Alton, Trinity Episcopal Chapel and St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Respectfully submitted,

The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford, Chair

RESOLUTIONS

20-C 1. GRANTING SEAT AND VOICE TO GUESTS OF THE SYNOD

WHEREAS, The Rev. Robert G. Eaton and The Rev. John A. Thorpe, who are currently licensed to officiate in the Diocese of Springfield, are attending this Synod; and

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

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Forty Third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield extend to The Rev. Robert G. Eaton and The Rev. John A. Thorpe a warm welcome with seat and voice in the deliberations of this Synod.

20-C 2. WELCOME TO NEW CLERGY

WHEREAS, The Rev. Christopher B. Simpson was ordained Deacon on March 7, 2020 and Priest on September 14, 2020 and The Rev. W. Carter Aikin was ordained Deacon on June 24, 2020; therefore be it

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

20-C 3. COMPANION RELATIONSHIP - Tabora

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

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

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

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Forty Third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield send the warm greetings of the clergy and people of this Diocese to the clergy and people of the Diocese of Tabora, expressing to them our thanks for all that has occurred since the institution of this relationship.

20-C 4. COMPANION RELATIONSHIP - Peru

WHEREAS, We are blessed in our mission and ministry by our companion relationship with the Diocese of Peru, its Diocesan Bishop Jorge Aguilar, and its people; and

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

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

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Forty Third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield send the warm greetings of the clergy and people of this Diocese to the clergy and people of the Diocese of Peru, expressing to them our thanks for all that has occurred since the institution of this relationship.

20-C 5. CLERGY WHO HAVE LEFT THE DIOCESE

WHEREAS, The Rev. Ian C. Wetmore served as priest of this Diocese and is now serving in the Diocese of Long Island, The Rev. Shane A. Spellmeyer served as priest of this Diocese and is now serving in the Diocese of Northern Michigan, The Rev. Jonathan P. Totty served as priest of this Diocese and is now serving in the Diocese of Dallas, The Rev. Caleb S. Roberts served as a priest of this Diocese and is now serving in the Diocese of Oklahoma and The Rev. Ellis E. Brust who was restored as a priest of this Diocese and is now serving in the Diocese of Central Florida; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this On Hundred Forty Third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield wish these shepherds and servants Godspeed in their new endeavors and extend to them the assurance of our prayers for them, their family and their continuing work in Christ's ministry.

20-C 6. CLERGY WHO HAVE DIED

WHEREAS, The Very Rev. Gus L. Franklin served this Diocese as a priest at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Springfield and died on May 3, 2020; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Forty Third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield rise in silence and remember this servant who has joined the Church Triumphant with prayer.

20-C 7. THANK YOU FOR SERVICE TO THE DIOCESE

WHEREAS, The Rev. Christopher L. Ashmore and Joe Patterson have served with dedication as members of the Standing Committee; and

WHEREAS, The Very Rev. Andrew S. Hook and The Rev. Christine C. Hopkins have served faithfully as members of Diocesan Council; and

WHEREAS, Randy Winn and Gerry Smith have served faithfully as Co-Chairs of the Department of Mission and as members of Diocesan Council; and

WHEREAS, The Very Rev. David J. Halt has served faithfully as a member of Diocesan Council, Dean of the Northern Deanery and as a member of the Commission on Ministry; and

WHEREAS, The Rt. Rev. Anthony F.M. Clavier has served faithfully as a member of Diocesan Council and as Acting Dean of the Darrow Deanery; and

WHEREAS, Charlie Rice has served faithfully as a representative of the Northwestern Deanery; and

WHEREAS, Mark Dirksen, Stephen Pearson, The Rev. G. Timothy Leighton and Chris Bennett have served faithfully as members of the Commission on Ministry; and

WHEREAS, Judith Puckett has served faithfully as the Archivist of the Diocese; and

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Forty Third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield recognize these faithful servants and express thanks for their ministry among us.

20-C 8. THANK YOU TO THE REV. SHAWN W. DENNEY FOR HIS MINISTRY

WHEREAS, the Rev. Shawn W. Denney served this diocese faithfully for seventeen years as Archdeacon, and

WHEREAS, Father Denney served with distinction as a member and president of the Standing Committee, member and Vice President of Diocesan Council, member of the Commission on Ministry, Department of Finance, Department of General Mission Strategy, Department of Communication, Department of Ecumenical Relations, Committee on Constitution and Canons, and as a General Convention Deputy, and

WHEREAS, Fr. Denney continues to serve as Vicar of St Luke’s, Springfield and is a current member of the Standing Committee; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this 143rd Annual Synod of the Diocese of Springfield recognize and honor Fr. Denney's witness and ministry among us. (Submitted by The Rev. David J. Boase)

20-C 9. THANK YOU TO THE SYNOD TASK FORCE

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

RESOLVED, That this One Hundred Forty Third Synod of the Diocese of Springfield express its sincere thanks to the Synod Task Force and all those whose work contributed to the success of this gathering.

APPENDIX VIII

REPORTS

REPORT - TRUSTEES

As of June 30, 2020, the Diocesan Endowment Fund balance was \$2,660,648 and the Combined Fund balance was \$3,489,733

<u>Wells Fargo Advisors</u>	<u>12/31/19</u>	<u>6/30/20</u>
Diocese-Endowment	\$2,782,102	\$2,660,648
Combined	\$3,810,322	\$3,489,733

The Putnam Charitable Trust Fund at the Bank of America had a balance of \$8,943,819 on December 31, 2019.

The Trustees are responsible for oversight of the Endowment Fund of the Episcopate and Trustees’ Combined Account. Wells Fargo Advisors is the investment manager/advisor effective as of December 2018. Wells Fargo manages the investments pursuant to direction given by the Trustees consistent with the Trustees’ investment philosophy and goals..

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

In addition to the Chair, elected Trustees were:

Mr. Randy Winn, Ms. Mary McGrath, The Rev. Canon Mark Evans, and Mr. Martin Rowe

Respectfully submitted,
Don Monty, Chair

REPORT - DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT

Pursuant to Diocesan Canon 31, Section 7, the Department of Audit is charged with monitoring the financial affairs of the diocese and shall review all financial reports tendered to the diocese by all congregations or other entities. The Department may audit the financial accounts of any congregation or entity within the purview of the Diocese.

The Department of Audit has reviewed the financial statements and the Annual Reports prepared by the congregations for the calendar year 2019. The Department has also reviewed those audits performed by the congregations as of September 1, 2020. The annual audits of the financial activities of each congregation and affiliated entity are required to be completed pursuant to the Audit Guidelines as promulgated by the Department.

Recognizing the problems arising from the Covid-19 pandemic may have delayed the schedules for completion of the annual audits, the Department urges those congregations which have not yet submitted the audit reports for 2019 to do so as soon as possible.

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

REPORT - DEPARTMENT OF MISSION

No report submitted.

REPORT - SECRETARY

The Diocesan Council met four times since the Synod of 2019 on the following dates, a quorum being present at all of the meetings:

1. Meeting of November 22, 2019 in person at the Diocesan Center, Springfield
2. Meeting of February 29, 2020 in person at the Diocesan Center, Springfield
3. Meeting of May 15, 2020 by Zoom conference
4. Meeting of August 15, 2020 by Zoom conference

As Secretary of the Diocese, the Rev. Deacon Tim Leighton recorded and prepared the minutes for the Council meetings. A permanent file at the Diocesan Center maintains a complete set of these minutes along with the reports presented at each meeting. These minutes are available for inspection upon application to the Diocese.

The Holy Eucharist was celebrated in the Cathedral Church of St. Paul prior to the beginning of the business session of the November and February meetings. The Rt. Rev. Daniel H. Martins, Bishop of Springfield, was Celebrant and Preacher for these services. A clergy member and a lay member of the Council served at each of the services.

Meeting of November 22, 2019

The Council met on November 22, 2019 to consider the following:

Treasurer Rod Matthews reported a deficit for the third quarter that was smaller than budgeted. Revenues exceeded budgeted revenues while expenses were less than budgeted. All Eucharistic communities were in compliance as of the date of Synod in paying their pro-rata pledge payments.

Council had extended discussion on the new budget which the Finance Committee proposed. Major topics of discussion included expenses associated with the Bishop search and transition and newly filled Communications Coordinator position in terms of expectations and structure. Council unanimously approved the proposed budget.

Mr. Randy Winn reported that the Department of Mission was receiving and reviewing submissions of various Eucharistic Communities and forming a response to all. Mr. Winn encouraged those who have chosen not to participate as of this time to reconsider. Bishop Martins expressed his hope that the absence of those reports was an oversight.

Council reviewed balances in the investment accounts that the trustees oversee.

Council discussed designation of outreach fund monies and approved a resolution to distribute approximately \$27,500.00 in prioritized grants order as funds are available, subject to the Bishop's approval. Council expressed consensus that grants be published in The Current.

Meeting of February 29, 2020

Treasurer Rod Matthews reported that the diocese ended calendar year 2018 with a deficit that was smaller than the budgeted deficit.

Bishop Daniel Martins asked Council to approve creation of the position of Canon to the Ordinary and fill that position with the Rev. Mark E. Evans, including reassignment of budgetary authority from the prior position of Archdeacon to this one.

The Department of Finance had reviewed the budget adopted by Synod and recommended changes to fund the Bishop Search and related expenses including an Electing Synod, along with increased capital improvements. Council unanimously approved the 2020 budget as adjusted.

Council discussed a capital project at Redeemer, Cairo which emphasized serving underprivileged children, including purchase of an abandoned office building and its renovation. Council supported an emerging plan for fundraising, including an Outreach grant of \$7,500 and zero percent interest loan to support mission outreach.

The Communications Coordinator reported on developments, including an initiative to publish in the monthly newsletter the names of all postulants and candidates for Holy Orders of the Diocese with a request for holding them all in prayer.

Meeting of May 15, 2020

Treasurer Rod Matthews reported that the first quarter deficit was slightly less than budgeted and the expenses were also less than budgeted. Some budget expenses were not fully incurred as a result of the Covid 19 pandemic.

Council discussed the new federal Payroll Protection Program (PPP) and authorized the Bishop, Treasurer and Diocesan Administrator to apply for a PPP loan.

Bishop Martins announced that Mission Strategy Reports normally due in June shall be waived this year.

Standing Committee President Mother Maynard reported on actions of the Standing Committee, including shifting the time table of the Election Committee for XII Bishop while seeking input from the national church office and other dioceses engaged in searches on emerging best practices in light of the pandemic.

Council discussed factors for consideration by the Bishop and Canon to the Ordinary regarding Reopening Guidelines during Coronavirustide. Bishop Martins announced plans to appoint a task force to report to Council in August about ways to have Synod where we can do at least the minimum canonical business virtually in some way. That perspective also has implications about the election process. Bishop Martins also announced that he was suspending the progress of his process toward retirement and rescinding his call for the election of the 12th Bishop of Springfield.

Meeting of August 15, 2020

Treasurer Rod Matthews reported that the second quarter ended with a lower deficit than budgeted, with both revenues and expenses below budget. The chair of the Department of Finance presented the budget for 2021 as proposed by the Department, including a number of contingencies. Council approved the motion to send the proposed budget to Synod. Finance also extended an invitation for Council members to suggest new members for Finance Committee. The Audit Committee reported that 2019 audits from ten Eucharistic Communities had been received to date and encouraged submission of audit reports from the remaining communities to protect clergy and those lay leaders handling money. The Department of Mission will have a new Chair in Mr. Tim McNutt of St. Paul's Alton, who is presently pursuing Holy Orders.

The Standing Committee reported on its actions, including plans to manage the Episcopate transition based on the announced sabbatical and subsequent retirement of Bishop Martins and the work of the Election Committee for XII Bishop as adjusted in response to pandemic issues. Council noted reports of the Deaneries. Bishop Martins announced that the Rev. John Richmond, Christ the King, Normal, as Acting Dean of Northern Deanery until the pre-Synod meeting when that Deanery is expected to elect a new Dean following the departure of the Rev. David Halt, St. Matthew's, Bloomington to Texarkana, Texas. Council also discussed deployment issues as a number of Eucharistic Communities are searching for new clergy. Council addressed measures to date in preparing for Synod during the continuing pandemic.

Thank you to the Bishop and People of the Diocese of Springfield for the opportunity to serve the Diocese this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
The Rev. G. Timothy Leighton, Secretary

REPORT - THE STANDING COMMITTEE

The following reflects actions of the Standing Committee since our 2019 Synod report:

Meeting at the Diocesan Center on September 28, 2019

The Standing Committee reviewed Bishop Martins' ministry with him at his request, using a survey that he provided. This instrument asked 25 diocesan leaders to offer feedback on his exercise of his ministry in areas including spiritual life, personal ethics, pastoral care, worship and preaching, teaching, administration and management, communication, modeling, vision-casting, managing change and conflict, and implications of his residence in Chicago.

Meeting at Synod on October 19, 2020

Interviewed William Carter Aiken and recommended him as a candidate for Holy Orders.

Second meeting at Synod on October 19, 2020

Welcomed newly elected members, the Ven. Shawn Denney and Mr. Gerry Smith. The Rev. Mark Evans was elected President and the Rev. Beth Maynard was elected Secretary. As Bishop Martins had just announced his retirement, the Committee met with him to receive his counsel on electing his successor.

Meeting at the Diocesan Center on November 23, 2019

Interviewed Chris Simpson and recommended him for Candidacy. Discussed models of episcopal ministry currently in use in other dioceses; made plans for conducting the search for the 12th Bishop of Springfield.

Meeting at the Diocesan Center on December 5, 2019

Standing Committee members, the Rev. Mark Evans, Helen Williams, and Kevin Babb met with Bishop Martins to discuss ongoing concerns about the Bishop's residency outside the Diocese, and steps that could be taken to address those concerns.

Meeting at Trinity Mount Vernon on January 8, 2020

Having received the resignation of the Rev. Mark Evans as President, elected the Rev. Beth Maynard as President, the Rev. Ben Hankinson as Secretary, and the Rev. Kip Ashmore as clergy member filling Fr. Evans' unexpired term until the 2020 Synod. Held a discussion with the Rev. Ron Clingenpeel (a Transitions Consultant from the Office of Pastoral Development) about the OPD's interest in observing and being able to recommend the Springfield Bishop search method of holding 2 open Synods (Nominating and Electing), as well as about concrete resources the OPD can make available to assist with searches. Following Fr. Clingenpeel's departure from the meeting, the Standing Committee agreed to negotiate a cost-effective arrangement that suits our purposes with the Office of Pastoral Development. Constructed a timeline for the Bishop search process working backwards from the consecration date we were given (June 12, 2021).

Meeting at Emmanuel Memorial Champaign on February 5, 2020:

Reviewed all applications for the Election Committee for the Twelfth Bishop of Springfield and selected 20 persons to serve from among the group of applicants. Consented to the consecration of the Rev. Poulson Reed as Bishop of Oklahoma and of the Rev. Canon Frank Logue as Bishop of Georgia.

Meeting at the Diocesan Center on February 29, 2020:

The Standing Committee attended and participated in the organizational meeting of the Election Committee, led by Charlie Rice. Met separately and consented to the consecration of the Rev. Craig Loya as Bishop of Minnesota.

By electronic meeting:

Consented by email vote to the election of the Rev. Dr. Lennon Yuan-Rung Chang as the next Bishop of Taiwan (Oct 24-30, 2020). Consented to the consecration of the Rev. Susan B. Haynes as Bishop of Southern Virginia (December 19, 2019). Did not consent to the consecration of the Rev. Deon Kevin Johnson as Bishop of Missouri (Jan 2020.) Consented to the election of the Rt. Rev. Mark Allen Van Kovering as Bishop of Lexington (January 4, 2020). Approved the transfer of an unused piece of property adjacent to St. Thomas Glen Carbon by electronic vote (Jan 9-13, 2020). Approved the ordination of Christopher Simpson to the transitional diaconate by electronic vote (Jan 25-30, 2020.) Consented by email to the election of the Rev. Dr. Glenda Curry as Bishop Coadjutor of Alabama (Mar 2-9, 2020).

Accepted the resignation of Charlie Rice as chair of the Election Committee, appointed Mother Sherry Black as Chair and Rod Matthews as Co-Chair. Put the election process on pause due to COVID-19 as of March 24; began work to restart it as of May 5 with our OPD consultant Ron Clingenpeel, Chair Sherry Black, and Co-Chair Rod Matthews, but stopped the process again upon the Bishop's announcement on May 15 that he was rescinding his call for a successor.

Approved the ordination of W. Carter Aikin to the transitional diaconate by electronic vote (May 16, 2020).

Interviewed David Knox and approved him for candidacy (Zoom meeting May 29, 2020.)

Completed a series of conversations with Bishop Martins, begun in August 2018, concerning implications of the canonical requirement that the Standing Committee consent to a Bishop's residing outside his or her diocese. With the assistance of the Office of Pastoral Development, collaborated with Bishop Martins in a mediated setting on the fashioning of a mutually-acceptable agreement concerning the remaining time of his residence outside the diocese. The Standing Committee wishes to express thanks to all who assisted in this process, including those who have rotated off Standing Committee since this conversation began, the diocesan leaders who participated in the ministry review requested by the Bishop in summer 2019, and mediator Bishop Ed Little.

In the matter of the reinstatement of Ellis Brust as a priest in good standing in the Episcopal Church, consented to his restoration to the ordained ministry of the Episcopal Church in accordance with Canon III.9.13 as requested by the diocese of Central Florida and approved by Bishop Martins (Zoom meeting, June 9, 2020.) Following later communication from the Chancellor of the Episcopal Church, also gave consent for the prior Renunciation of Ordained Ministry in this Church and Declaration of Release and Removal of the Reverend Ellis E. Brust with an effective date of 02/02/2007 (it having been discovered that Fr. Brust needed to be removed before he could be restored; email, July 7-9, 2020.)

Approved the ordination of Christopher Simpson to the priesthood (email, August 4-6, 2020.)

Respectfully submitted,
The Rev. Beth H. Maynard, President

REPORT - COMMISSION ON MINISTRY

The Commission on Ministry is charged with the responsibility of advising and assisting the Bishop of the Diocese in the determination of present and future opportunities for the ministry of all baptized persons and for the design and oversight of the ongoing process for the recruitment, discernment, formation, and assessment of individuals for the service of the Diocese.

During the past year, the Commission on Ministry has interviewed the following individuals and has recommended action by the Bishop and/or Standing Committee:

Mr. Timothy McNutt	Mr. Dan Shuler
Mr. Devin Fryling	Mr. Pete Sherman
Dr. Carter Aikin	Mr. Mark Klamer
Dr. Christopher Simpson	

During 2020 the COM met face-to-face, via email, and (for the first time) by ZOOM conference.

We have also discussed ways the Commission on Ministry could minister to the various Eucharistic Communities of the Diocese of Springfield as they raise up in their midst our future deacons and priests. Eucharistic Communities are asked to be mindful of our meeting dates so that required applications, endorsements, and paperwork can be submitted in a timely manner.

The following individuals have served on the Commission on Ministry during the past year:

Ms. Stacie Wachtel (2021)	Mr. Stephen Pearson (2021)
The Rev. David Halt (2021)	The Rev. John R. Henry (2022)
Ms. Katie Cave (2022)	Mr. Chris Bennett (2020)
Mr. Mark Dirksen (2020)	The Rev. G. Timothy Leighton (2020)
Mr. William Jackson (2022)	The Venerable Shawn Denney
The Rev. Canon Mark Evans	
() Indicates end of term on the Commission in October	

A big THANK YOU to Canon Mark Evans who developed a flow chart to better organize those moving through the process in 2020!

Our meetings are originally scheduled for the 3rd Saturday of February, May, August, and November. The next scheduled meeting of the COM is Saturday, November 21, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,
The Rev. John R. Henry, Chair

OTHER REPORTS

DARROW DEANERY Episcopal Parish of Alton



Behold, I make all things new
Rev. 21:5

Despite COVID-19 and a 7-alarm fire that devastated the office wing of St. Paul's, the Episcopal Parish of Alton has continued in love, worship, and service to God.

As for worship consistent with the directives of Bishop +Daniel while in stage 3, Mother Cindy+, along with an acolyte, our Organist-Choirmaster, and two cantors, celebrated closed celebrations of the Eucharist at St. Paul's each Sunday. Facebook Live and our YouTube channel made the service available to all. Mass was directly followed by an antiseptic as possible "drive-up" distribution of Holy Communion. On Easter Day, cars were lined up all down the street and around the block! We celebrated Holy Week in this manner as well.

Home distribution of Holy Communion has continued to be offered each Sunday and sometimes one other weekday. This has been very gratefully received.

The Day of Pentecost, May 31st, coincided with the COVID-19 move to Stage 4 and Bishop +Daniel's return to regular official visitations to the Eucharistic Communities around the Diocese. We were very pleased and excited to receive his visit that day!

For the first time in months, seven people at a time were ushered into the nave to receive Holy Communion from Bishop +Daniel, after they had listened to the Facebook Live broadcast in their cars or on a large speaker in the garden. This was followed by our first coffee hour in months, which consisted of pre-packaged snacks and beverages while wearing masks and observing proper social distancing in the garden. The best part of all, of course, was the fellowship with our good Bishop and friends we had missed so much. Drive-up distribution of Holy Communion was discontinued at this time.

Our new Eucharistic opportunities were short-lived, as on Tuesday, June 23rd, St. Paul's suffered a 7-alarm fire in the two-story office wing of our building. A parishioner opened the exterior door right outside the office early on the day of the fire and was greeted by heavy, black, acrid smoke. Firefighters from seven towns, several even from Missouri, responded. One firefighter was stationed high over the roof of the nave for five hours and monitored potential hot spots that might indicate fire.

With the blessing of a closed, heavy-duty fire door, and firefighters who struggled valiantly against the fire, in order to keep it contained to the office wing, the flames were kept from spreading into the sacristies, the church proper, the parish hall, and education wing. The church proper, the sacristies and the St. Elizabeth Chapel were heavily smoke damaged, however.

Both levels of the office wing were completely destroyed (although all exterior walls still stand). This includes the parish office, Mother Cindy's office, the library, the nursery, the former parish nurse's office, which contained supply kits and clothes for the homeless, and the restrooms. The better part of the second floor, containing the Organist-Choirmaster's office, a computer lab, an electronic piano, a parlor, and a chapel, was also a total loss; a large part of the second story collapsed into the first. A great deal of shoring things up must take place before the process of asbestos abatement can occur.

All of the smoke, gritty film, and water damaged areas, including the church itself, have had carpeting and drop ceilings removed. Every square inch from the peak of the ceiling right down to the floor must be specially cleaned to remove toxic residue. Each of the more than 2,500 organ pipes must be removed and taken away to be cleaned. Every book and piece of fabric must be taken away and cleaned. All of the insulation under St. Paul's enormous roof must be removed and replaced in compliance to codes in 2020. Architectural engineers have been consulted about how this can be accomplished, because there are only two small access hatches, one on either end of the roof.

The important parish files were saved because of a fireproof filing cabinet. Other less important files must be copied and transferred into new file folders. The parish hall has temporarily moved to Trinity Chapel's parish hall. Setting up an entirely new office space has been an incredibly trying and time-consuming task!

The most current estimate is that we will be worshipping outside the church until Thanksgiving or Christmas at the earliest, and that the office wing will not be ready until at least a year from now. We've been worshipping out in the garden since the fire, and those masses have been working very well, although alternative indoor sites are being sought for inclement weather. We've been enjoying worship amid flowers, a great view of the Mississippi River, bushes, trees, and the St. Francis pond and fountain. Twenty to Thirty people attend these masses, masked and properly socially distanced of course. We are so thankful for the parishioners who help put everything together for our services.

Throughout the time of COVID-19 and now the outdoor services, we have brought Communion to those who are self-quarantined or cannot attend services outdoors in the heat. We generally make at least six stops from Brighton in Calhoun County to Wood River in Madison County, and anywhere in between. We add a weekday of visits in sometimes, when there are parishioners who would like to receive. We love these home visits and consider them a special blessing.

Two days after the fire, approximately forty people attended an evening "Service of Prayer and Hope after the Fire" in the garden. The service included Scripture, music, hymns, a Liturgy of Lamentation and a Litany of Thanksgivings. It was a special time of closeness to one another, and a deep appreciation for our church and for all of the valiant firefighters, the police officers who kept us informed, and all those who helped to save our building from further destruction.

On a bulletin board in the office wing, everything had been burned off, except a slightly singed picture of a butterfly with God's promise written below it: "Behold, I make all things new." This is just the message we needed to hear from our loving God, who is always watching over us. It has inspired us to rebuild with confidence and allow God to help us make all things new: better ways, different setting, and needed changes.

Thank you to all of you for your prayers, your good wishes for the Episcopal Parish of Alton. "Behold, I make all things new." That's a promise we're claiming!
(Diane Martin and the Rev. Cindy Sever+)

St. George's, Belleville

Like all our companion Eucharistic communities we report this year from the backdrop of the ongoing pandemic, which has challenged us to adjust and change to continue to worship and evangelize in our communities. St. George's is in transition and in the middle of our search for who God will call as our new rector. Following is a summary of the life of St. George's this year.

- We were blessed to have Fr. Samson as a dedicated supply priest through the end of 2019 and into early 2020. We truly believe God put Fr. Samson with us to calm the waters during our time of transition.
- On February 2nd we celebrated and thanked Fr. Samson for his time with us a dedicated supply priest, and we welcomed Fr. Robert Eaton as our Interim Rector.
- In February, Fr. Rob assumed his duties as interim rector and he has led worship and guided the Mission Leadership Team through tasks that will strengthen and prepare St. George's for our rector search.
- Within a few weeks of Fr. Rob getting his feet on the ground and beginning his ministry, COVID restrictions forced us to end in-person worship and all other gatherings. We had to temporarily close our food pantry, limit our support of Meals on Wheels, and cancel our Lenten Soup Supper program, as well as our weekend with Friends of the Groom.
- We quickly put everything in place to start live-streaming and people quickly found us and joined us each Sunday. This was a blessing as we worshipped together, virtually, through Lent and into Holy Week, including Stations of the Cross at Toddhall and a Holy Saturday morning reflection, concluding with a joyous celebration of our risen Lord on Easter morning.
- Fr. Rob has been educating us in a myriad of ways virtually. He provided a daily series on the Healing Stories of Jesus, followed by a "virtual" Bible Study Starter series. He has compiled and produced devotionals for Ascension and a special 30 Days of Prayer to prepare us for the search process. In July, he inaugurated a bible study on the Letters of Peter. Fr. Rob has been very busy, and St. George's has enjoyed and prospered under his spiritual and administrative leadership!
- Although slowed down by the COVID restrictions, Fr. Rob and the MLT got started on the search process in June, gathering information from the parish and putting together needed resources. Both the search team and parish profile team were in place by August and began their work. St. George's is now listed in the Office for Transition Ministry database as "Developing Profile" and we hope to start considering candidates in October.

- Our Eucharist has been live streamed since March, and as state restrictions allowed we were fortunate to again offer two “in person” Eucharists on Sunday mornings. St. George’s organist, Nancy Ypma, and cantors offer excellent music on Sunday mornings. Following diocesan guidelines, they highlight the gospel, feasts, and fasts in music! Attendance has been modest, and many people continue to join us on via the live stream. Our live-stream service has been reaching over 100 people each week. We have purchased a dedicated camera and live streaming will become permanent.
- Our committees and small groups continued to meet via Zoom to maintain our ministries to the local community and are now meeting “in person” when possible. A new committee is considering the eventual reopening of Sunday school, including a new curriculum, teaching spaces, and more are under discussion. We are working with St. Mark Lutheran on a plan to reopen our food pantry in the next month or so.
- The facilities are under constant transition and improvements are being made. Members have beautifully repainted the conference and Choristers rooms. With the help of St. Mark Lutheran Church, Wi-Fi has been extended to our parish hall and sanctuary. Some areas have been decluttered and rearranged in functional ways.

Despite these uncertain and unstable times, St. George’s remains an active Episcopal presence in Belleville, IL. (Brian Maves, Senior Warden)

St. Andrew’s, Edwardsville

The last year at St. Andrew’s has been an interesting one. In the fall, the search for a rector was under way, and we give thanks to Fr. John Thorpe for his ministry among us throughout that time as well as the ministrations of Fr. George Pence who has since moved to Florida with our prayers and best wishes.

In November, the Vestry issued a call to Fr. Ben Hankinson to serve as the next rector of St. Andrew’s. Then December saw Lessons and Carols, the Christmas Pageant, and the joyful celebration of Christmas services. In January, the Annual Meeting celebrated the year that is past and the work that God had done in our various ministries. We thanked our outgoing leaders and representatives and elected new ones for the terms ahead.

February welcomed Fr. Ben as he celebrated his first Sunday at St. Andrew’s on the Feast of the Presentation. Later that week, we had a record-breaking book sale bring in over \$5,000. On the 15th, Bishop Martins joined us for a Celebration of a New Ministry and the Installation of Fr. Ben as the Rector. Shrove Tuesday’s pancake supper and the beginning of Lent with services for Ash Wednesday rounded out the month.

March 5-7 brought with it the Quilt and Fabric Art Show including the giving of Quilts of Valor to local service members and veterans. That may have been the last normal thing we’ve done this past year, as the rest of March saw a number of unexpected changes. Sadly, those changes include a short-lived Lenten study series on Holy Week and a cancelled ECW Lenten Retreat. We also bid farewell to Fr. Pence before shutting down for the Coronavirus.

Despite the unfortunate changes, we adapted as well as can be expected and continued through Lent with a heavy dose of Facebook live to help us out. We increased our use of the Daily Office and kept up the devotional tradition of walking the Stations of the Cross on Fridays. Holy Week came and went unlike any in living memory with a full set of services to make our way from the

triumphal entry to the empty tomb. And though we were not able to gather in person for these, the glory of the Cross and Resurrection shone out, nonetheless. Sadly, some of our anticipated celebrations have been postponed as we await the right time to celebrate the baptism and first communions planned for the Paschal observance.

Coming out of Easter, we celebrated the return of some sense of normal. Following Trinity Sunday, we reopened the 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist for in-person attendance. It was a moving moment to regather for corporate worship after so much time apart. Special thanks to our devoted Eucharistic Ministers. The 10 a.m. liturgy of Holy Eucharist continues to be done virtually with only a small group consisting of the celebrant, organist, and Eucharistic Minister. Additionally, we have been fairly diligent in the observance of the Major Feast Days of the church, including a livestream of the sung Eucharist for the Feast of the Transfiguration and the Holy Cross. We also welcomed Bishop Martins on August 2 for his annual visitation, rescheduled from May.

Early in July, we attempted a modified Book Fair, the last one in May having been cancelled. We offered a (mostly) outdoor version that exceeded expectations, raising nearly \$1400 at 50 cents per book, but more importantly, many people were excited to come out and browse our selection, expressing their gratitude for the efforts to make this available. Continuing our innovation, the regularly scheduled August Book Fair was another successful venture, this time back in our usual space utilizing online signups along with other safeguards in place.

One advantage of these interesting times is the creativity that it has brought out in us, as with the Book Fair. In particular, embracing the technology available to us has allowed for various online gatherings and opportunities including prayer, coffee hour, chats with the rector, teaching moments, and more. It has even led some prospective members our way after finding our livestream. Though we pray for a swift end to the cause of these innovations, we are beginning to realize that we can, and indeed should, incorporate these types of things into our regular ministries on the far side of reopening. Most importantly, we pray that we may glorify God in this season by sharing the good news of Jesus Christ wherever and however we can. (Fr. Ben Hankinson, Rector)

St. Thomas', Glen Carbon and St. Bartholomew', Granite City

St. Thomas' Episcopal Church Women (ECW) had a successful Spaghetti Fest on October 5th. They made a generous contribution to St. Thomas' donation to the Diocese of Tabora's clergy health insurance. The ECW also purchased replacement signs at the front door and the back door.

St. Thomas' Daycare had their Christmas Pageant on December 13th at 6:30 p.m. The church was very full, and the children told the story of Jesus' birth very well.

St. Thomas' received a grant for \$500.00 for the Glen-Ed Food Pantry in Edwardsville in February from the Diocese of Springfield, which came from undesignated outreach funds.

We hosted the joint Ash Wednesday service at 6:30 p.m. with St. Bartholomew's, Granite City. St. Bartholomew's hosted the Lent Wednesdays starting at 6:30 p.m. on March 4, 2020, due to the pandemic, these were suspended on March 11, 2020.

Our Eucharistic Communities would like to thank Fr. Scott Hoogerhyde and Mr. Joseph Cobetto for live streaming the services from our churches. Sunday lessons have been sent to both congregations on Fridays since March 13, 2020 and in-person services started May 31, 2020.

The St. Thomas' Child Care and Pre-school closed March 13, 2020 and was able to reopen on June 1, 2020.

(Jan Goossens, Mission Administrator)

St. Michael's, O'Fallon

The big news at St. Michael's is the resumption of Sunday services. On June 28, Bishop Martins came to O'Fallon and the long COVID draught was over. Fr. Thorpe arrived as interim priest-in-charge in July, services continue, and the church is humming again, with limited in-person attendance. Our weekly Facebook Live stream and YouTube postings are being watched regularly by members who are not able to return to in-person worship, and our outreach continued throughout the summer months supporting Community Feed My Lambs, where the church pioneered a donation program for member churches that cannot provide in-person volunteer work at this time. In early August, we resumed our 8:30a.m. Morning Prayer service on Sunday mornings, and starting September 9, there will be a weekly virtual Bible study for our spiritual formation. It is a strange and difficult time to do church, and we, like everyone else, are finding our ways through the new look of socially distanced ministry. But God is gracious, and we are delighted to be working together in the Kingdom. The results of our 2019 Mission Strategy Survey and Report will be very useful to provide insights to prospective candidates for Vicar on the direction and personality of the body of St. Michael's. St. Michael's is finalizing the necessary documentation for the formal Vicar search through the Diocese and the National Church. (Fr. John Thorpe, Interim Priest-in-Charge)

Respectfully submitted,
The Rt. Rev. Anthony F.M. Clavier, Acting Dean

EASTERN DEANERY

No report submitted. The Very Rev. G. Williams Howard III was elected Dean in September.

HALE DEANERY

Church of the Redeemer, Cairo:

Greetings in the precious name of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ.

We would like to give a brief report of what has been happening in the life and ministry at the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer in Cairo since our last Synod.

For the better part of the year 2019, we embarked on trying to raise money for renovation of the Martial Arts building we bought about 3 years ago next to the existing Redeemer Church. We employed the slogan that; "THE BIRD BUILDS ITS NEST WITH ITS BEAK, ALTHOUGH IT DOESN'T HAVE THE SIZE OF A HEN. BUT WE, WHO HAVE TWO HANDS, CAN BUILD A HOUSE FOR THE LORD." We raised close to \$20000, which was slightly less than a third of what the contractors were asking. But by faith we agreed to start the work, NOT KNOWING WHERE THE REST OF THE MONEY WOULD COME FROM, BUT WE ONLY HAD FAITH. To cut the story short, we have a very beautiful 4000 Square feet Martial Arts building with a nice Church Office which Our Friendly Neighborhood Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Daniel Martins dedicated it on 19 July 2020. It was a glorious occasion to see something like this

happen at Redeemer. The Martial Arts program has started back slowly while our Bishop's Warden and Program Director and trainer is making sure that all the Health Restrictions and Guidelines are followed to the letter.

With the renovation of the Martial Arts building, the other parts of the Redeemer church were not left out. The Pavilion was given a facelift through power-washing; New painting was applied together with outside Bathrooms as we prepared for the Worship services outside after the In-Gathering services suspension.

It is important to note that before the Covid 19 outbreak, our 3rd Generation Martial Arts, Karate participated in a number of competitions in Sikeston, MO and Memphis, TN where various trophies were won by members. On another note, It was a delight to have a wedding at the church after so many years. This couple joined the Church through the Martial Arts program. The same couple was Confirmed by the Bishop during his annual visit in July.

Panera Bread, Rice & Beans Giveaway has been going on, but we had to do it differently during the Covid 19. We partnered with the Catholic Charities and we have been taking the Panera Bread to them so that they can feed the community in a more secure way in their program. In return they have distributed Milk and vegetables through us and then to the Community.

SERVICES DURING THE IN-GATHERING LOCKDOWN:

As you all can remember, it was a tough time for all of us and even now it has not gotten back to normal yet. We conducted our Morning Prayers on a Church Prayer Conference line which proved a great tool since not everyone had access to the internet. We had more people attending this prayer conference than we have been having at church recently.

ADOPT A COP PROGRAM:

During this difficult time for the Law Enforcement Officers, the Chief of Police, Redeemer Episcopal Church, and the other area Church Pastors and community came together with the aim of looking for ways that we can support the Law enforcement officers and pray for them. Each church adopted a Police officer to pray for and get to know them and what they go through on a daily basis. It has been a wonderful experience to have an officer with us sharing some stories of their work in the city of Cairo.

We meet every 3 weeks at the Redeemer Martial Arts Building, just to get to know one another, and also for the Police Chief to inform the community of their intentions and what they expect from the community.

NOTE: HEALTH OFFICIALS' COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS ARE STRICTLY FOLLOWED TO THE LETTER.

CHURCH WOMEN:

A group of Church women, together with some other women from the community, have been meeting in the New building once a month for fellowship. **THEY MAKE IT CLEAR THAT MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING MUST BE OBSERVED BY ALL.** They begin with a word of God and Prayers.

I want to finish by telling the people of this Diocese how blessed we are at Redeemer to have such generous people who have been there for us and have made the mission and ministries at

Redeemer flourish. You have prayed for us, you have visited us, you have called us, you have given your generous gifts without being pushed or squeezed to give, and you have shown what real love is to the Redeemer Community. We are grateful and may the Lord God continue to bless you and keep you always under His Mighty wings where NO enemy can find.
(Faithfully Reported by: Fr. James K. Muriuki, Redeemer Episcopal Church, Cairo)

St. Andrew's Parish, Carbondale:

It has been a joy for me as Rector of St. Andrew's since late January of this year, to serve this delightful and deeply prayerful Church. I am grateful every day that God's will was for our coming together, as strong as any call I have received from God, in my now forty years as a priest. The Anglo-Catholic understanding of this is a "cure of souls", and that the Rector love the people whom God has entrusted to his or her care. That has been easy for me.

Following a time of steady growth, of this parish wanting what a priest is supposed to do in ministry, preach the Gospel of our Lord and Savior, rightly administer the Sacraments, teach the Bible and Church History, and pastor the people, with a congregation very active in churchmanship (see I am old), and come through a time when the new senior warden was stricken in a near great fatal automobile accident, the Vestry and congregation carried on with their various ministries. This is a steady loving community in Christ, where everybody knows each other's names. They had been hard put to continue during a recent time of a hard challenge and continued to be faithful. Hard times test the strength of our Christian faith. St. Paul states: "We boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us". (Romans 5: 3b-5) The TGIF monthly dinners in various parishioners' homes help also!

Under the leadership of Matthew Keefer and Don Monty, we had a solid response for our stewardship effort, and Matthew Borger, Betty Crelling, and Matthew Keefer all made excellent talks on the need we have to give for God's mission through the Church.

We witnessed the renewal of faith in Christ during last fall (which is ordinary time), during which our Bishop visited, then Advent and Christmas. Our Music Director, Roger Petrich (who taught me Bach 45 years ago in Madison, Wisconsin), and choir, and lectors, all presented an Advent Lessons and Carols. Gifts were asked for from many parishioners for Christmas assistance (bringing in a tremendous amount of socks in response to Junior Warden Ryan Horn's pleading!) and canned goods, and money all for charities. Our attendances at St. James' Marion (with Henry Kammerer's servanthood), and St. Andrew's for Christmas was very good. Sabra Borger is our volunteer secretary, and she provided the various liturgy bulletins.

Our January Annual Meeting was enjoyable! We thanked outgoing senior warden Maria Hafford, restored to health, and the new Vestry re-organized with Trish Guyon senior warden, and Ryan Horn continuing as junior warden. Shortly afterward, we enjoyed a delicious Mardi Gras lunch prepared by Burt Gruchy, his wife Emma Deem, and Trish.

We began Lent with Ash Wednesday services, and also a Lenten study on Wednesday nights along with St. Francis Xavier and their priest, Fr. Bob Flannery, focused on Dr. Diarmaid MacCulloch's History of Christianity on DVD. That lasted for two weeks, and then the Coronavirus took over.

With our Bishop's blessing, we began worshiping on Sundays outdoors in June, and in July we moved back into the Church, following all the protocols for such worship.

In September, we have added a Rector's Bible Study of Genesis. Meanwhile, I find as Rector the first time in my priestly ministry typing out complete sermons, which I preach in Church, and Facebook facilitators Terri Goodin and Lori Schmider post on that medium.

I am grateful for our Vestry, our Treasurer Don Monty, and assistants Anne Gaylord and Sabra, our Vestry clerk Terri Goodin, our computer geek Tony Goodin, our Altar Guild including Betty Crelling and Tammy Keefer, our music director and choir, our variety of liturgical ministers, ushers, and I'm sure I will forget someone. Forgive me. I wish also to thank former senior warden Michael Onken, for his counsel and advice.

(Faithfully in Christ, Fr. Dale Coleman+, Rector of St. Andrew's, Carbondale, Vicar of St. James', Marion)

St Mark's Episcopal Church, West Frankfort

Gosh, what a year it's been! I saw a cartoon a while back that had (history) books on bookshelves, and there was one volume for each year from about 1987-2019. And then, in 2020, there's a volume for each month. Feels about right!

Last October found our Sunday School children filling shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child, and on October 27th we had our annual visit from Bishop Daniel and Brenda; we had a delightful brunch potluck and got to show off our ongoing projects: our Blessing Box and weekend snack bags for local elementary children, more to follow.

In Advent our Sunday School children, led by Nancy Summers, did several mailings of ornaments to shut-ins and others in need in our area.

Until March 2020, we were been supplying the neediest children at our local K-2 elementary school with snack bags on the weekends, and at the turn of the year we were providing Denning School with 100 bags per week. Of course, that ministry came to a screeching halt in March. However, we were glad to have the school district use our parking lot as a lunch and lesson drop off point. We have not yet been able to resume this project but hope to fill that need in the near future.

We are at our second anniversary with our outside Blessing Box (mini food pantry). Moreover, that has become an increasingly important ministry during the pandemic in a community with a high level of food insecurity to begin with. We have also seen increasing amounts of community support; it is not uncommon for one of us to go to the church to fill the "box" and find someone in the town has beaten us to it. It does take a village, and we are grateful for the community's support.

Sadly, in the first thirty-five days of 2020, we had two funerals at St. Mark's for longtime members; we buried another member in July.

Of course, like all of our churches, we suspended services in mid-March; following the guidance of Bishop Daniel Martins as well as IDPH guidelines, we met again, after ten

weeks, for worship on Pentecost Sunday. What a celebration to be together again! We have had Sunday services at the church weekly since then, following infection prevention protocols.

I am grateful that we were able to continue to “be” the church during our shut-down through our various ministries; I’m even more grateful to be able to worship with the St. Mark’s family as we continue to learn and grow together. We don’t have to go to church to be the church. (In thanksgiving, Mother Sherry Black, Priest-in-Charge)

St Stephen’s Episcopal Church, Harrisburg:

Not a lot to report so far this year. We are still holding our Sunday Mass as well as a weekly Mass once a month. Many of our people have chosen to forgo Mass due to their fears for me and for their families. There is not much we can do about their fears right now other than pray for God’s help and keep in touch with them by phone and email.

For those that want to receive Communion but not attend Church because of their fears I have taken to them. As a priest of the Church I must not allow myself to get down in the dumps. We all need the glass to be full bright and active as we wait out this pandemic. (--Father Tim Goodman)

Faithfully Submitted,
The Very Rev. Sheryl L. Black, Dean

NORTHEASTERN DEANERY

The Chapel of Saint John the Divine, Champaign

The Chapel of Saint John the Divine continues to share God’s love on the campus of the University of Illinois, and in the Champaign Urbana community.

Canterbury Student Program

Our Canterbury gatherings ceased on March 11, given the COVID 19 Pandemic. Students continue to participate in the life of the parish by helping with Evening Prayer services and online worship. Peer minister Ben Norton assisted extensively with worship on Sundays and Wednesdays between March and June, serving as server, sacristan, and reader. Others began serving on Sundays and Wednesdays when we entered Phase 3 in the State of Illinois.

The Parish

December offered a full house at our Advent Lessons and Carols and Christmas Eve services. In January, we held our annual parish meeting. A couple of the highlights of the meeting were as follows:

- Steve Vaughan, Emily Knox, Carol Symes, and Andrea Beyke were elected as members of our Vestry.
- Our parish contributed over \$18,000 in Social Outreach in 2019.
- Our Sunday and Wednesday services have a combined weekly attendance of 133.

When both the University of Illinois shut down and the Health Department of Champaign County encouraged all houses of worship to cease holding in person worship, the Chapel ceased in person worship. As we have moved into phase 3 and phase 4, because of our proximity to the

university, parishioners who are students, faculty, staff, and because of the advice of professors and the president of the U of I who are members, we have not resumed in person worship and our worship has remained online. Our rector and vestry continue to review this policy each month in hope that resumption of public worship might eventually be possible.

The University of Illinois Urbana Champaign remains the leader in testing among major universities. 10,000 tests are administered a day. Everyone on campus is tested twice weekly. This amount of testing represents 1-2% of the total testing in all of the United States. Because of the scientific research being done on this campus, it makes us hesitant to resume in-person worship. We hear directly from parishioners with scientific expertise on the current research rather than having that information filtered through partisan media. As such, we have not yet found it possible to safely resume in-person worship gatherings.

Our online worship has been quite successful thus far. Over 2000 people tuned into our Holy Week services.

Even in this pandemic, the Chapel of Saint John the Divine is alive and well and we invite all from the diocese to tune in to our weekly Eucharist, Evening Prayer on Wednesdays and Fridays, and our Daily Compline services. (The Reverend Sean Ferrell, Rector and Chaplain)

Emmanuel Memorial Episcopal Church, Champaign

Looking back over this year's quarterly deanery reports makes the division of this past year into pre- and post- COVID-19 very striking. Throughout the fall and winter, Emmanuel's life was rolling along with things like Our Wonder in All month, in which 8 members witnessed to God's action at Emmanuel and over 50 shorter testimonies were added by parishioners to an installation in the parish hall, two live Christmas performances of a period radio play based on Charles Dickens' "The Goblins and the Gravedigger," 1662 Choral Evensongs on All Saints Sunday and the Feast of the Presentation, an interfaith vigil on the issue of gun violence in our communities, and the creation of a new fund in our endowment to support future ordained leadership in memory of Rosann G. Noel.

As of March, like all churches, Emmanuel began worshipping and serving in ways that help limit the spread of COVID-19. As did most spiritual leaders, our clergy rapidly figured out how to stream Daily Offices on Facebook, make spiritual communion and homily videos, and use Zoom for meetings and worship. Our Bible studies and other formation opportunities moved online as well, including a popular Hymns & Hops hymn sing. We are blessed to have worked with a large group of local leaders from Christian, Muslim, and Jewish communities under the guidance of the Champaign County Public Health department in order to have current and accurate information on best practices for worshipping communities. This team, along with a summer site visit from Public Health, proved to be invaluable in making good choices as our church received different and sometimes conflicting recommendations from other sources. At the end of June, a regathering task force helped us add small in-person Masses to the online and email resources with which we had worshiped throughout Lent and Easter, and these will be continuing for the foreseeable future.

The year was marked by the Mission Leadership Team's decision to bring in the nonprofit Partners for Sacred Places to begin working with us to design a community-wide asset-mapping event to help maximize the new resource for mission we will have when our rectory space is

completed and accessible. A great deal of time and energy has gone into this process, and we look forward to resuming it when larger gatherings are possible.

A highlight of the Shelter in Place period was a parade of 49 cars, led by a fire truck, past Deacon Christine Hopkins' home in celebration of her 70th birthday.

At the end of May, our Curate Fr. Caleb Roberts came to the end of his 3-year term with us and moved to accept a position as Rector of Grace Church in Ponca City Oklahoma. On June 1 we welcomed our new Curate, Marisa Crofts, who is in the ordination process in the Diocese of Dallas. We are already very grateful for her pastoral and proclamatory skills, as we are for the rest of our staff, Deacon Christine Hopkins, Administrator Mary Sievers, Choirmaster Christopher Mason, Organist Michael Fisher, and Sexton Tim Valentine. (The Rev. Beth Maynard, Rector)

The Church of the Holy Trinity, Danville

The following information reflects activities at the Church of the Holy Trinity:

- Held annual parish Thanksgiving Dinner and prepared food baskets for distribution
- Observed Advent with weekly Rosary and Benediction in addition to daily Masses
- Prayed traditional Christmas Novena
- Celebrated Christmas with Children's Crib Devotions, Midnight Mass, and Christmas Day Mass
- Children prepared for Epiphany with activities focused on the history of the Magi
- Blessing of Water and Chalk prior to Mass and party on Epiphany
- Blessing of Candles and Mass on Feast of the Purification
- Observed Ash Wednesday with three liturgies
- Made Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help at the onset of the pandemic
- Sunday Masses broadcast via livestream during Lent
- All Holy Week and Easter liturgies broadcast via livestream
- Altar of Repose placed in narthex on Maundy Thursday, allowing faithful to make their devotions from outside
- Began celebrating two Masses on Trinity Sunday using state health guidelines
- Returned to celebrating one Mass on Sundays as health guidelines allowed larger groups
- Leadership preparing to evaluate plans for outreach and food distribution as health guidelines change

Respectfully submitted,
The Very Rev. Richard I. Lewis, Dean

NORTHERN DEANERY

Trinity Church, Lincoln

Parishioners have been gathering to celebrate the Eucharist on Sundays both in person and via Trinity's Facebook page—with attendance roughly equivalent to pre-COVID times. Many in and outside the parish have continued to gather faithfully for the discipline of Morning and Evening Prayer (M-F)—meeting in person and online via our Facebook page. Sadly, Trinity has buried several family members of parishioners since the beginning of June (with arrangements varying from simply deferring the service until after the pandemic to having a funeral in the church building with interment in the columbarium). On a brighter note, there was a workday trimming

back church landscaping in preparation for an outdoor celebration in appreciation of Fr Mark and Sandy's faithful service and presence at Trinity. That celebration was held this summer and was a grace-filled occasion for all involved. Finally, on Monday, September 14, Bishop Martins ordained Deacon Chris Simpson to the priesthood; the new Father Simpson then was installed as rector of Trinity Church. After this joyful celebration, festivities continued outdoors—safer during the ongoing pandemic—on what was a lovely fall evening.

St. Matthew's, Bloomington

Father Dave Halt departed St. Matthew's to become rector of St. James' Church, Texarkana, effective August 1. A search committee has been formed to call the next rector, and will have met at least once, and perhaps more than once, by the time of the October Synod. St. Matthew's is blessed to have supply clergy lined up for the rest of 2020, and into 2021. Celebrations of the Eucharist continue to be held twice on Sunday mornings, both in-person and online.

Christ the King, Normal

After multiple Sundays of Morning Prayer, broadcast to parishioners via Zoom, in-person celebrations of the Eucharist returned on July 12 (while also being "zoomed" to generally larger groups of worshipers online). Christ the King has been gifted with parishioners who have led the technological charge—so to speak—so that fully-produced Zoom streaming of services has been the norm. The Mission Leadership Team also has committed to purchasing quality equipment to make full Zoom production possible. The parish was planning a summertime blessing of animals as an outreach project in and to its neighborhood, but COVID-19 prevented that experiment from happening. To be continued, when the pandemic passes or, at least, lessens.

St. Paul's, Pekin, and All Saints', Morton

As with other churches throughout the diocese, worship continues online and now, in person, with some carefully limited singing re-introduced in the Sunday liturgies. The Dallmans—Father Matthew and Hannah—were delighted to celebrate the baptism of their son, Martin, within recent months. One of their daughters, along with two other parishioners, were confirmed recently by Bishop Martins. It has been pleasant to see a bit of "normalcy" returned to the daily and weekly life of the Church in Tazewell County.

St. Barnabas' Church, Havana

No official report, but evidence from the pre-Synod Deanery meeting and the St. Barnabas Facebook page would indicate that Father Newago and St. Barnabas' are thriving!

Carle-BroMenn Medical Center, Normal

Mother Mollie Ward, Director of Spiritual Care, reports that she has a full crew of Clinical Pastoral Education residents and interns, including Nashotah House Seminarian Robert Armidon, who is participating in the yearlong residency. BroMenn is now part of the Carle Health medical system, headquartered in Urbana. Although many hospitals have downgraded pastoral care, Mother Mollie has noted that Carle maintains a solid chaplaincy program, and that BroMenn and Carle spiritual care services have enjoyed a good working relationship for a number of years. Over time, both Christ the King, Normal, and St. Matthew's, Bloomington, have contributed to the hospital's healthcare ministry as members of BroMenn's Delegate Church Association.

Respectfully submitted,
The Very Rev. John D. Richmond, Dean

NORTHWESTERN DEANERY

St. Paul's Church, Carlinville

The year started with good news to go along with The Good News. Attendance figures were up! Giving was increased! Mission was growing! Mid-week service attendance was tripled! Then the Rector took a three-week trip to England, Scotland, and Wales and things started falling apart.

The good news (as of this writing) is that we have returned to live services averaging about 15 persons on Sunday morning and 25-30 watching our Facebook broadcast on Sunday morning. We long to see each other's complete faces and sing hymns again. With live broadcasts we have reached persons that previously did not have a connection to our church at all. Dr. W. Carter Aikin was ordained to the diaconate by Bishop Martins in June. It is wonderful to have Deacon Carter in our midst in a more formal role.

Our building and grounds improvement continues. Electric lights were installed on our church sign to help welcome others to our non-red doors. Mission continues with an increase to monthly volunteering at the Carlinville Food Pantry. We have a crew of 5-9 persons who help provide this ministry to our community. The Food Pantry assists over 200 families per month. Fr. John has just become President of the Good Samaritan Ministries. In partnership with the Federated Church of Carlinville we participate in the "Feeding Our Neighbors" program in Carlinville. We serve the meal to about 150 families on the third Thursday of each month. (Currently this is a drive-thru distribution.) We wrote a Diocesan grant to supplement the funds we also contribute as a Eucharistic Community. Under the leadership of Deacon Carter, we are currently holding a series of ZOOM meetings to examine our mission---past, present, and future. (The Rev. John R. Henry, Rector)

St. John's Church, Decatur

St. John's like all places saw their services and programs interrupted at the end of March. We halted all in person services and began live streaming our 10 am service. We allowed for communion of those who watched in that they could drive by the church for two hours after the service and communion would be brought to them in their cars.

We made it through Holy Week by live streaming all services. Many became use to the Covid19 way and mailed in their pledges.

Toward the end of May we began having in persons services with a limit of 10 people who had to sign up online. By mid-June we were approved by the bishop to have up to 53 people at services due to our remarking the church for social distancing. So, we began by having an early service at 7:30am Rite I and a later service at 10 am Rite II with instrumental music only. Many are still worry about in person attendance. We also began live streaming Evening Prayer at 5 pm on Wednesdays. Attendance has run up to 8 people at the early service and up to 18 people at the later service.

After July 4th we also restarted our Friday Bible Study class with appropriate social distancing. We are fortunate to have a large hall that has 9ft round tables which makes it easier to have in person events like Bible Study. We have not exceeded 6 people at any of these events.

Bishop Martins made his annual visit the weekend of July 4th and we had minimal attendance. In September we began congregational signing the service music again at the 10am service. We also sing a hymn of praise. All of this is with mask on and we have had the fortune to have one of our parishioners who makes masks for those in need and supplied us with many for people to use and have.

We still have no events with food or drink, and many miss the coffee hour of the old days.

The mission leadership team has been struggling with building a parish profile for our search for a new rector without the ability to have any in person meetings or town hall type meetings.

We were able to update our computer system in the office in May. The old system was 10 years old and no longer supported with updates.

Many outreach services of St. John's were ended by the pandemic. We are still unable to have our Eucharistic ministers take communion to those in nursing homes. Good Samaritan Inn which is a local food program was curtailed until September. We have both supported this program with money and volunteers for many years. Our volunteers returned for their first day of preparing and giving out lunch boxes at Good Samaritan Inn on September 8th.

Until the middle of August all funerals were graveside small services limited to family. We had our first in church funeral services in mid-August.

Trinity Church, Jacksonville,

This has been a challenging year for Trinity Church, Jacksonville, as it has been for all parishes of the Diocese of Springfield. On top of the Covid-19 crisis, the City of Jacksonville has lost one of its two colleges with the closure of MacMurray College. MacMurray had a long relationship with our parish. Many of our members over the years attended the college, and many of our organists were trained on its magnificent chapel organ.

Trinity Church continues to reach out the City of Jacksonville despite the limitations of the Covid-19 crisis, with a focus on education and feeding ministries. Our festival offerings support remote learning opportunities for children effected by the pandemic and assistance getting school supplies through the Lion's Club of Jacksonville. We continue to support the Salvation Army food pantry, and we offered support for urgent repairs to the roof of the Spirit of Faith Soup Kitchen. We have continued delivering hot meals to the community through Doorbell Dinners. Once again, our Sunday School classes have led the parish with the hard work raising funds for the Heifer project.

A large portion of the congregation continues to worship from home via livestreams of our Sunday Liturgy. Our internet witness has come to include people who could not easily attend services even before the pandemic, and even people who live out of state. Our Choral Scholars program enters its third year with two interns, who will enrich our worship with sacred music with our organist.

We have established an online Bible study which meets via Zoom twice a week. We are looking forward to hosting an outdoor St. Francis Day service with blessing of pets. We continue delivering hot meals to needy members of the community through Doorbell dinners. We are also

happy to continue being a place for the formation of musicians for sacred music through our Choral Scholars program. (The Very Rev. Zachary Brooks)

St. Luke's Church, Springfield

What started out to be an ordinary year, if any year can be characterized as such, turned out to be extraordinary. It has seemed as though nothing is the same, and the prospect of normality still seems elusive. The challenge has been what to make of these times, and how even they can be times of growth for the spread of God's Kingdom.

Our goal as St. Luke's has been to be faithful in worship, knowing that our times of corporate worship sustain us as a community and open us to hear God's voice as it pertains to our collective and individual calls to his service.

Within the limits prescribed and regularly evolving, we have continued in this pattern and with it have sought new ways to reach out using available technology. This began early in the health crisis and continues to this day. We are also grateful for the help of all members of our congregation in maintaining and following the strictures under which we must operate.

When it appeared that we might be deprived even of Easter, the congregations of St. Luke's and Trinity, Jacksonville, were able to continue their practice of jointly celebrating the Easter Vigil with a live streamed service. We have continued that practice at St. Luke's since then, and have been amazed at the levels of contact, making us feel united even if far flung. Our 10:30 service is regularly posted on our Facebook page.

Beginning in May, when the Denneys were supposed to be in Sicily, we added a second live streamed service for the Anglican congregation there, working our way through different time zones. We created a YouTube channel for St. George's so we could post their services at the regular time -- 11 a.m., which was 4 a.m. for us.

Despite considerable odds, the Denneys were able to go to Sicily at the beginning of July. During their absence, the congregation was lovingly and ably cared for by Fr. David Boase, with the assistance of our Deacon, the Rev. Dr. Thomas Langford. We are grateful for their ministry among us.

While working diligently in the present, we cast our eyes to the future. We are delighted that Pete Sherman, our Senior Warden and longtime faithful member of St. Luke's has become a Postulant for Holy Orders. We look forward to his expanding role in ministry in our midst.

Two members of St. Luke's volunteered to serve on the Election Committee working on preparations for the calling of the 12th Bishop of Springfield, and Fr. Denney is active in that process as a member of the Standing Committee. We pray as a congregation for the Holy Spirit's guidance for all of us.

As we contemplate the fall, we persevere, trusting that God will continue to make something more of us through the challenges that are placed in our path.

Respectfully submitted,
The Very Rev. Zachary D. Brooks, Dean

CURSILLO

Cursillo, known as a short course in the Christian life, is a ministry of Episcopal clergy and laity. The goal of Cursillo is to bring the world to Christ by empowering adult Christian leaders through a method that is taught during the Episcopal Cursillo Weekend. This method is an evangelistic tool that enables and encourages Christians to live out their Baptismal Covenant in order to change their local environments for Christ.

The real centerpiece of the Cursillo Ministry is the called the Fourth Day – the rest of one’s life after attending a Weekend. The Weekend is meant to be a catalyst to inspire and empower Christians to be witnesses for Jesus Christ in the world.

February 7-8 was a Retreat for Cursillo leaders held at St. George’s, Belleville. The Retreat is a special time for the leadership of Cursillo to reconnect, plan and worship together as they prepare for the next Cursillo Weekend. Additional meetings occur over the following months as preparations continue.

Ultreya is the term for gatherings of those who have completed a weekend. They are held every few months around the diocese to foster community among Cursillista’s. This past summer, one was held via Zoom.

Alas, due to the restrictions on meeting physically imposed as a consequence of COVID-19, there was no Cursillo Weekend in 2020. The next Cursillo Weekend is June 10-13, 2021 at Toddhall.

Contact me, Erin McCrary or Vicki Hall for more information. Or, send a note to cursillo@episcopalspringfield.org.

Respectfully submitted,
The Rev. Canon Mark E. Evans

YOUTH WORK

It is with great sadness that we report that Episcopal Church Camp of Illinois was cancelled for 2020. Even as we know that it is with everyone’s well-being in mind that this difficult decision was made, we were heartbroken not to have Church Camp this year. It is a highlight for many youth and volunteers from across the Diocese of Springfield and beyond. Each summer we gather together for a week filled with good friends, lots of fun, and the shared faith we have in our God.

In lieu of being together physically, some digital events have already occurred and are in the works in order to continue the spirit of family which plays a prominent role in Camp life. We encourage those connected with Camp to reach out to their friends and Camp family. Write them a letter, send them a message, or give them a call. Share your favorite songs and memories. Pray for one another and for the ministry of Camp and the Camp family.

Church Camp lost an important member of that family this year with the death of Coordinator Tate Chambers. His loss will be felt for years to come, and his love for Camp and tireless work to ensure that it ever centered on Jesus Christ will be sorely missed.

Though circumstances prevented us from having Camp in person, there is nothing which may keep us separated from all that we share with one another according to the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. And so even now, we look forward in hope to all that God has in store for us when we will be together again.

Respectfully submitted,
The Rev. Benjamin D. Hankinson

NATIONAL AND WORLD MISSION

Activity: No activity has been reported with either Diocese of Peru or Tabora.

Plans had been in place for Bishop Martins to visit Tabora prior to Lambeth. These plans were canceled due to Covid-19 and have not been rescheduled.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Moore

DISCIPLINARY BOARD

Pursuant to Canon 34 of the Diocese of Springfield and Title IV of the Canons of the General Convention of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, no actions have been brought before the Disciplinary Board during the past year.

The Rev. Dr. Gregory A. Tournoux
The Rev. Donald E. Coventry
The Rev. G. William Howard, III
Mr. Larry Clark
Mr. Stephen Skaff
Mr. Keith Gehrand
The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford, President

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

CHANCELLOR

Over the past year, my duties as Chancellor have consisted of the following activities:

1. Providing counsel, pursuant to Canon, concerning issues of secular and canon law.
2. Serving as a resource for parochial clergy and lay leadership regarding issues of secular and canon law; and
3. Acting as an ex officio member of Diocesan governing bodies, such as Diocesan Council and The Trustees of the Diocese, in the capacity of legal counsel.

I consider it to be a great privilege to serve the Church in this way, and I welcome the opportunity to be of service in the future.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin Babb, Chancellor

ARCHIVIST

The St. John's, Albion Historiography Team has accomplished only part of its goals but has at least "moved the ball forward" during our tenure. We respectfully turn over the responsibilities to the next archivist who, it is hoped, will initiate the next stage of digitizing to allow for online research of the crucial files.

Our focus has been to attend to the archival room itself, to organize/identify files, remove or re-direct unnecessary materials, cull the surplus records of defunct parishes for reduced storage, and integrate bishops' files into one location.

By October 2020, we will have made progress in all these areas with the most progress in the bishopric files. The materials in each bishop's file are not chronologically arranged, but each bishop's papers are essentially combined from multiple or duplicate files (except for over-size items).

Our work was hampered by distance, health problems, and, finally, Covid-19 limitations. We appreciated Bishop Martin allowing us to work on some records off-site at the parish hall in Albion.

The purpose of the archival collection is to serve as the site for records for closed parishes, diocesan bishops and history, Province V records, Episcopal Woman's work, diocesan personnel records, and synod history. Historical and other records pertinent to individual active eucharistic communities should be held at their location except for reports sent to the Diocese.

Currently, the archival collection is a closed system, that is, research and inquiries are answered by the archivist as time allows; it is not open to the public. Without a full-time or part-time archivist, digitization is the key method to open the resources to the wider community in the future.

Respectfully submitted,
Judith Puckett

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN

2020 Officers:

President: Cheri King

Vice-President: Natalie Tate

Secretary: Laura Beggs

Treasurer: Dana Harris

Chaplain: Mollie Ward

Committee Chairs:

Communications & Website: Natalie Tate/Martha Angel

Outreach: Helen Williams/Pam Hoehn

Lenten Retreat: Carol Marshall, Dana Harris, Cheri King

Church Periodical Club: Carol McCrary

United Thank Offering: Joyce Wright

2020 Lenten Retreat was held on February 28, 29, March 1. The theme of the retreat was “Lift up Your Voice”. We were blessed with beautiful weather and plenty of sunshine. All of us enjoyed a wonderful presentation by Barbara Kay on Franny Crosby who wrote thousands of church hymns. We were thrilled to have 28 attendees who participated in the hands-on prayer stations and the quiet time in the prayer room. Carol Marshall presented a very informative Psalms activity and Saturday evening we all enjoyed the organ music and singing with Claudia Byrnes. Sunday morning began with very informative presentations about the Church Periodical Club – MaryFran Crist, United Thank Offering -Joyce Wright, and Daughters of the King – MaryFran Crist. Questions and answers followed and everything we wanted to know about these wonderful missions was answered.

One of the most amazing things to have happened this weekend was the collection for the ECW DoS Outreach Project – The Gitimaini Anglican Church Furniture, Kenya. These beautiful Episcopal Church Women donated \$708.00 to this cause. God Bless each and every one of them!

2021 Lenten Retreat: Due to the unpredictable Covid-19 virus the 2021 Lenten Retreat has been canceled for Todd Hall and arrangements for Zoom will be announced at a later date.

Outreach Project 2020-21:

The ECW of the Diocese of Springfield will work to raise money and awareness for the Kwek Society (K we K means women in the Potawatomi language). The Kwek Society provides first-period kits and educational materials, pads, tampons, educational books, and underwear to Native American girls and young women without ready access to these expensive menstrual supplies. The costs that accompany their menstrual cycles could result in missed school days, health threats, and embarrassment. The ECW Outreach Chair will send each church and mission information and requests for donations for this worthy and much needed cause. For more info: kweksociety.org.

Church Periodical Club:

The Church Periodical Club is an Episcopal institution whose ministry is to supply books, videos, magazines, tapes and computer programs free to those who cannot otherwise obtain them, and to raise money to achieve this.

Church Periodical Club Report – Fall 2020

Report – April 2020

Old Balance 8-31-19	\$1524.96
Withdrawals (1 seminarians)	\$300.00
Deposits	\$0
New Balance: 8-31-20	\$1224.96

(Carol McCrary, Church Periodical Club Chairperson)

United Thank Offering:

There was a delay in sending out letters for the UTO Spring 2020 Ingathering. In July letters were sent to all thirty- three Churches in the diocese many of them have resumed in person worship service.

Churches were requested to hold their Spring Ingathering during the month of August. Those who could not hold their Ingathering in August could do it in September.

UTO too is being affected by this pandemic, with your coins, checks and prayers the Diocese of Springfield will continue to support this wonderful ministry of the Anglican communities.

Blessings to all.

TOTAL UTO AMOUNT 2019: \$8,322.48
(Joyce C. Wright, UTO Coordinator Diocese of Springfield)

Respectfully submitted,
Cheri King, President

PROVINCE V EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The representatives from the 14 dioceses and the officers have a Zoom meeting on the 4th Friday of each month. We also have a face to face meeting in the first week of February.

Gennie Callard was our president, but she moved to Province I, so Bishop Mark Hollingsworth moved from Vice-President to President and he appointed Jane Cislucyis as Province V's Vice-President, she is also our Province V Lay Executive Council Rep.

Jane will have served two terms on the Episcopal Church's Executive Council, so her term will end at the end of the next General Convention. In October 2020, Executive Council will decide when the 80th General Convention will be held.

Province V will have a virtual synod meeting on May 1, 2021, with The President of the House of Deputies, Rev. Gay Jennings, as the keynote speaker. When it is decided the year General Convention will be held is the year that we will have the Electing Synod for the Lay Executive Council position. At the time of this writing, Province V's Executive Council is waiting to hear when General Convention will be, before it is decided when we will have the election for the Province V officers.

Province V and the Diocese of Fond du Lac are sponsoring the Leadership Coaching Project, Rev. Michael Newago, from Havana will be participating, the training is from September – November 2020. He will need volunteers, so please contact him for more information.

Province V supports the following networks, the contact information can be found at provincev.org, then click on Networks.

- a. Prison / Jail Ministry
- b. Leadership in Parishes without Clergy
- c. Recovery Ministries
- d. Suicide Prevention Ministries
- e. Refugee Ministry
- f. Public Theology Matters– BIG announcement coming for the fall! They will be offering a series on Advocacy and are working with the Office of Government Relations.
- g. Creation Care– Working toward developing a “curriculum” that addresses eco-justice.

- h. Ministry in Resort Communities— representatives from Province VII and VIII are involved
- i. Dismantling Racism, Becoming Beloved Community sub-group
- j. Episcopal Church Women
- k. Youth
- l. Campus Ministry / Young Adult

Scholarships are provided through the Province V Executive Board for the purpose to enhance networking between the fourteen dioceses of Province V of the Episcopal Church, the Executive Board has made available \$5,000 to be given to individuals attending events in other dioceses over the course of 2020. Scholarships are available up to \$500, and may be used for conference fees, training fees or travel expenses.

A newsletter is sent out on the first of each month. Go to provincev.org; at the very bottom is a button you can click on to sign up for the newsletter.

Please contact me for more information about the Province V Executive Council at utospil@sbcglobal.net.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Goossens, Provincial Synod Delegate

APPENDIX IX
MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Appointments (includes re-appointments and continuing) for 2020 – 2021:

**Indicates new appointment*

Department of Audit, Chair	The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford <i>St. Luke's, Springfield</i>
Department of Finance, Chair	Charles Rice <i>St. Paul's, Carlinville</i>
*Department of Mission, Chair	Tim McNutt <i>Episcopal Parish of Alton, Alton</i>
Diocesan Council	Marc Graves <i>Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Springfield</i>
*Diocesan Council	The Rev. Cynthia A. Sever <i>Episcopal Parish of Alton, Alton</i>
Commission on Ministry, Chair	The Rev. John R. Henry <i>St. Paul's, Carlinville</i>
Commission on Ministry (term expires October 2021)	Stacie Wachtel <i>Trinity, Lincoln</i>

*Commission on Ministry (term expires October 2021)	Frank Jones <i>St. Michael's, O'Fallon</i>
Commission on Ministry (term expires October 2022)	The Rev. John R. Henry <i>St. Paul's, Carlinville</i>
Commission on Ministry (term expires October 2022)	Katy Cave <i>Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Springfield</i>
*Commission on Ministry (term expires October 2023)	The Rev. Christopher B. Simpson <i>Trinity, Lincoln</i>
*Commission on Ministry (term expires October 2023)	Randy Winn <i>Trinity, Mt. Vernon</i>
Chancellor (term expires October 2021)	Kevin Babb <i>St. Andrew's, Edwardsville</i>

Archivist (term expires October 2023)

APPENDIX X

Deans and Deanery Representatives to Council

(* denotes elected at fall deanery meeting)

*Darrow Dean (22)	The Very Rev. Benjamin D. Hankinson, Jr. <i>St. Andrew's, Edwardsville</i>
Darrow Representative (21)	Diane Martin <i>Episcopal Parish of Alton</i>
*Eastern Dean (22)	The Very Rev. G. Williams Howard III <i>St. John's, Albion</i>
Eastern Representative (21)	Dan Shuler <i>St. Thomas', Salem</i>
*Hale Dean (22)	The Very Rev. Sheryl L. Black <i>St. Mark's, West Frankfort</i>
*Hale Representative (22)	Dana Harris <i>Church of the Redeemer, Cairo</i>
*Northern Dean (21)	The Very Rev. John D. Richmond <i>Christ the King, Normal</i>
Northern Representative (21)	Laurie Walter <i>Christ the King, Normal</i>
Northeastern Dean (21)	The Very Rev. Richard I. Lewis <i>Church of the Holy Trinity, Danville</i>
*Northeastern Representative (22)	Richard Tribe <i>Church of the Holy Trinity, Danville</i>

Northwestern Dean (21)

*Northwestern Representative (22)

The Very Rev. Zachary D. Brooks
Trinity, Jacksonville
Mary Ann Denney
St. Luke's, Springfield

APPENDIX XI

DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD THE 142nd SYNOD Minutes of October 18-19, 2019 Meeting

1. **Call to Order and Invocation:** The Rt. Rev. Daniel H. Martins, 11th Bishop of Springfield, called the business session to order at the Premier Best Western Hotel at 3559 College Avenue, Alton, Illinois at 1:40 p.m. on Friday, October 18, 2019, followed by the invocation which Bishop Martins offered.

2. **Report on Registrations/Quorum:** The Rev. Tim Leighton, Acting Secretary of the Synod by appointment of Bishop Martins, reported that 34 of 38 registered clergy delegates were present and that 67 of 70 registered lay delegates were present. A Quorum for the conduct of business was declared. There were also 16 guests who have blessed Synod with their presence but do not count toward quorum. Later in the afternoon 35 of 38 registered clergy and 68 of 70 registered lay delegates were present.

3. **Welcome:** The Rev. Cynthia A. Sever, Rector of The Episcopal Parish of Alton, welcomed everyone to Synod and to the community and gave some logistics instruction.

4. **Approval of the Minutes of the 141st Synod:** The minutes of the previous Synod (as shown on page 55 of Appendix II of the Synod booklet) were approved upon motion made, seconded and adopted.

5. **Appointments of the Parliamentarian and to Synod Committees:** Bishop Martins as President of Synod announced these appointments --

Parliamentarian of Synod: Kevin J. Babb, Esq.

Committee on Legislation: the Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford, the Ven. Shawn W. Denney, Kevin J. Babb, Esq., Mr. Charles Rice

Committee on Resolutions: the Very Rev. Richard A. Swan, the Rev. Robert D. Harmon, Ms. Anne Cornelius, Ms. Helen Williams

6. **Election of the Secretary of the Diocese and the Appointment of an Assistant Secretary:** There being no further nominations, the Rev. Tim Leighton was elected to be Secretary of the Diocese by voice vote. The Rev. Matthew C. Dallman was appointed Assistant Secretary.

7. **Disposition of Issues Pertaining to the Seating of Delegates:** No disputed credentials were reported. Bishop Martins announced that all delegates were presumptively seated.

8. **Resolutions:** The Rev. Richard A. Swan presented three Courtesy Resolutions (Appendix A to these minutes), which were approved by Synod:

Resolution 19-C-1 Welcome to New Clergy, adopted by voice vote.

Resolution 19-C-2 Companion Relationship – Tabora, adopted by voice vote

Resolution 19-C-3 Companion Relationship – Peru, adopted by voice vote.

Bishop Martins announced that the Rev. Jonathan Totty has been called as Curate, Episcopal Church of the Annunciation, Lewisville, Texas, that the Rev. Shane Spellmeyer has been called as Priest-in-Partnership, Trinity Episcopal Church, Houghton, Michigan, and that the Rev. David Halt will be spending much of his summer 2020 sabbatical in Tabora, learning how they do evangelism, clergy formation and ministry development to bring back ideas that work to Diocese of Springfield.

9. **Appointment of Inspectors of Elections:** Bishop Martins announced these appointments --

Inspectors of Elections – Clerical: the Rev. David L. Wells, Mr. Donald Monty

Inspectors of Elections – Lay: the Very Rev. Sheryl L. Black, Mr. Donald Kensell

10. **Nominations for Elective Offices:** The Rt. Rev. Daniel H. Martins announced the following nominations for Elective Offices that were published prior to Synod --

*Treasurer (1 Person – 1 year term)	Mr. Rod Matthews
Standing Committee – Presbyter (4 year term)	The Ven. Shawn W. Denney The Rev. David J. Halt
*Standing Committee – Lay (4 year term)	Mr. Gerry Smith
*Trustee (5 year term)	The Very Rev. Mark E. Evans
*Diocesan Council – Clergy (2 year term)	The Rev. James K. Muriuki
*Diocesan Council – Lay (2 year term)	Ms. Cindy Lynk
*Comm. on Ministry – Lay (3 year term)	Mr. William Jackson
*Disciplinary Board – 2 Clergy (3 yr terms)	The Rev. Donald E. Coventry The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford
*Disciplinary Board – lay (3 year term)	Mr. Keith Gehrand
*Provincial Synod Del. – Lay (3 yr term)	Kevin J. Babb, Esq.
Gen Convention Deputy 2021 – 4 Clergy	The Very Rev. Sheryl L. Black The Rev. Zachary D. Brooks The Very Rev. Mark E. Evans The Rev. David J. Halt The Very Rev. Benjamin D. Hankinson, Jr. The Very Rev. Andrew S. Hook Kevin J. Babb, Esq.
General Convention Deputy 2021 – 4 Lay	Ms. Cindy Lynk Mr. Donald Monty Mr. Joe Patterson Mr. Gerry Smith Mr. Randy Wynn

The Chair asked for additional nominations for any of these offices. There being no further nominations, it was moved, seconded and adopted by voice vote that the nominations be closed separately for each of these offices.

After conferring with the Parliamentarian, the Chair entertained a motion that those elections which do not require a split ballot of Lay and Clergy and for which there were nominations only for the number to be elected, be directed to be elected by acclamation. The motion was seconded and adopted by voice vote. The Chair declared those designated above by asterisk as duly elected.

Ballots were then distributed for three elections each for both Orders –Standing Committee – Presbyter, General Convention Deputy – Clergy and General Convention Deputy – Lay. At the request by a Synod participant, the Chair asked the candidates for contested elections to stand and be identified.

The Chair then declared a recess for the purpose of voting. Bishop Martins reconvened Synod at 2:29pm.

11. Report – Treasurer: Mr. Rod Matthews gave the Treasurer’s Report for calendar year 2018. He referred Synod attendees to the detailed reports in the published materials. In response to questions from the Floor, the Treasurer noted that line 4011 Pledges Prior Years \$71,869 had been left off the 2018 Operating Fund chart thus overstating the deficit on the chart. The narrative report was accurate and correct. The chart will be corrected for the official record. The Treasurer remarked that the audit was clean, that he had provided an official copy of the audit to the Secretary, and that the copy would be available in the office of the Secretary of the Diocese. Upon motion made, seconded and carried the Treasurer’s Report was received as reported.

12. Report – Department of Finance: Mr. Charles Rice, Chair of the Department of Finance, presented the budget proposed by the Department of Finance and approved by Diocesan Council with recommendation to Synod for adoption. Highlights of comments and discussion:

Total income went up about 1.9% over prior year. Support of episcopate dropped about 7 % (communication move to 5570). Non-diocesan expense went up 13.3%. Diocesan expense now shows line 5570 (communication). Summer camp support is up 21.3%. Insurance is up 3.4%. Total diocesan exp up 10.7%. In Departments and programs, General dropped 50%; General youth and St Michael’s conference both dropped 8.3%, St Michael’s conference may or may not happen in 2020. Miscellaneous dropped 28.5%, mostly Commission on Ministry \$1,000. Total expenditures up 1.8%.

Responding to a question about source of data for pledges prior years, the Ven. Shawn Denney, Archdeacon said that when the Diocesan office receives parochial reports with 15% levels with what is reported, if a congregation has a short-fall, they have this opportunity to make correction or to tell us whether and when extra money will be paid. Line 4011 (prior income) is not budgeted as income, as we have no way of knowing what it will be. That number has been decreasing over time, part of canonical change in order to seat delegation at Synod, must be current at least through June 30, so less money being held back during calendar year; quarterly statements of giving (not invoices); that number in 2015 and before was 6 figures, now consistently 5 figures. Page 10 presents a 3 year history of pledges for each parish.

The Rev. Mollie Ward inquired about line 5302 (outreach) page 8 and request examples. Archdeacon Denney responded about monies paid to national church; money that remains in outreach fund is distributed by Bishop in consultation with Council; Episcopal Relief Fund set a priority for supporting all food banks; those operating in Diocese of Springfield received approximately \$1,500 each; Nashotah House Seminary; Living Church Foundation; Anglican Center in Rome that fosters ecumenical dialogue; remaining money program for congregations to apply, review/approve by Bishop; had been reduced from \$100,000 to \$25,500 as part of effort to balance the budget, decided in Finance to raise that figure back up, approximating what we would pay for national church pledge which would be approximately \$40,000 more than what we have in here. That raises all levels of contribution. We still rely on and ask for designations given by congregations. Running about 45-46%, DFMS. Then we submit a statement to National Church saying this is what we anticipate. We have virtually doubled what is in both categories. However, we remain at the very bottom, about 3.5%.

Follow-up – actual is 0 at June 30 – not yet distributed, look in November meeting at what is available for distribution; other than actual to DFMS. Money is not actually calculated and determined until receive actual payments.

5563 Clergy and Family Wellness request actual examples – some for clergy retreats.

The Rev. Christopher Ashmore inquired about expenditures section staff compensation, staff pension; no clue re bundle, how to know detail by position, why is that not included in budget that Synod must consider and vote on. Why not present that information to the people who will vote on it?

Bishop Martins responded that this reporting is pretty much his idea, more for appropriate accountability of authority in staff. Staff serve at the pleasure of the Bishop and to foster the Bishop's ministry. They do not exist in their own right. Rather than making compensation decisions as part of budget process, this reporting method reflects move in direction of Bishop requesting from Finance an aggregate amount of money from which to fund staff which can then be disbursed as Bishop sees as most convenient and necessary. That is why granular details about compensation of staff members and their benefits are aggregated the way they are. Bishop Martins said he can tell you in actuality there are no great changes. Raises are simply a matter of CPI. More a matter of form and principle than anything else. Details about staff compensation in this Bishop's opinion is the Bishop's responsibility. Synod has responsibility to fund it.

Fr. Ashmore followed up, saying he was not questioning the authority, but rather, why is just reporting on that the record that Synod can see?

Bishop Martins responded about distinguishing budget from financial report. He was asked if the Treasurer's report breaks down by position. Response from Treasurer that the report shows in the aggregate. Bishop Martins further responded that he is only one voice on Finance and that he would not see any problem in the report breaking it down by position as to this would show what the Diocese paid to the person in each position. Yet he expressed his hope that the budget still be in this collapsed form.

Fr. Ashmore asked if Bishop Martins would see any value if significant change in that aggregate from one year to another, giving explanation of change. Bishop Martins responded, "Certainly. But there is not any such significant change other than Communications was moved from a staff position to a programmatic element because it's a contract."

Ms. Sue Davis, St Thomas, Salem asked about outreach fund going to DFMS, actual v budget. Question is could it not be reported what actually that outreach is listed in booklet. Archdeacon Denney responded that it would be in Treasurer's report and that November will be next. Can also be published in Current. Amounts are always different. Money can come in after first of year. A fluid thing. But not a problem to provide detail, as publicly discussed item at Council.

Upon motion duly made and seconded to approve the budget as proposed, the motion passed by voice vote with many "yeas" and a few "nays" heard.

13. **Report - Continuing Committees:**

Legislation. The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford, Chair reported that the Committee had received no motions to amend the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese.

Resolutions. The Rev. Richard A. Swan, Chair presented the following courtesy resolutions:

19-C-4 Clergy who have left the Diocese which was adopted by voice vote.

19-C-5 Clergy who have died - the One Hundred Forty Second Synod of the Diocese of Springfield rose in silence and remembered those servants who have joined the Church Triumphant with prayer.

14. **Report – Communications Coordinator:** Ms. Hannah Dallman, newly appointed Communications Coordinator, reported on her new work, noting a Facebook uptick on Diocesan action. That Facebook page is the front porch of the Diocese; reflects lively, loving Diocese, interesting Diocese; the Facebook page following is slowly but steadily growing; Facebook is the place where people look when they are exploring; perhaps even more so than websites (although they still like to see an up-to-date website); reposts as much as communities provide; each Eucharistic Community or other body is encouraged to post regularly and consistently, whether once a week or once a month, with something from daily life, not just big feast days; showcase special ministry; post a picture, share; the more likes and shares we have, the more it gets seen, so the more known that we are here; developing monthly newsletter; free up some room in Current; not just what is going on but to live into our faith together; "please see me as a resource; I'm excited and honored to be your Communications Coordinator. You can also find us on Twitter and Instagram. If you have something beautiful in your building or grounds, send me a photo and I'll put it on Instagram. We have over 150 followers already. Synod participants are requested to send the Communications Coordination photos from buildings or grounds for the #churchcrawler campaign. There is a community online of people who love church photos, and this campaign provides an opportunity to show off the beauty in our diocese. The Current will have a theme related to the liturgical season going forward. The next issue at Epiphanytide 2020 will explore ways in which we can cross boundaries. The three wise men were not Jewish, but

they were still welcomed at the Nativity and their gifts accepted and appreciated.” Ms. Dallman also encouraged people submitting articles to include photos.

15. **Report -- Trustees:** By title.

16. **Report - Department of Audit:** By title. The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford further reported that all Eucharist Communities had filed audits with the Department for 2018 as of the current date except St. Andrew’s, Edwardsville and St. Christopher’s, Rantoul.

17. **Report -- Episcopal Church Women:** Ms. Cheri King from St. Stephens-Harrisburg as ECW President spoke about ECW members as passionate about serving God with a strong desire to serve everyone, this group of Episcopal women who share God’s love through passion and mission. Churches in the Diocese are invited to contact the ECW board for help in any way we can. ECW seeks to have a contact person in each church or parish. Regarding United Thank Offering, 14 churches donated to the Spring 2019 Ingathering. Total amount \$3,866.46. Many thanks for generous support. UTO is a ministry of the whole church.

18. **Elections:** The Secretary announced results of the first ballot.

General Convention Deputy – Lay: Kevin J. Babb, Esq., Ms. Cindy Lynk, Mr. Gerry Smith and Mr. Randy Winn were elected as Deputies. Mr. Donald Monty and Mr. Joe Patterson were elected as Alternates.

General Convention Deputy – Clergy: The Very Rev. Sheryl L. Black, the Very Rev. Mark E. Evans, the Rev. David J. Halt and the Very Rev. Benjamin D. Hankinson were elected as Deputies. The Rev. Zachary D. Brooks and the Very Rev. Andrew S. Hook were elected as Alternates.

Regarding Alternates in both Orders, The Parliamentarian explained there is no designation yet of priority, with further details to be addressed.

Standing Committee – Lay: Mr. Gerry Smith was elected with majorities in both Orders.

Standing Committee- Clergy: Neither candidate received a majority in both Orders, and there were some irregularities in some ballots. A second ballot was distributed for this only remaining contested election.

19. **Special Presentation:** An actor portraying Captain Benjamin Godfrey welcomed Synod to Alton and presented on the history of worship in Alton, Illinois, including his realization that the thriving town of Alton had no church buildings at the time. So, using his own funds, he constructed a building in 1834 and offered its use to all organized religious groups until selling it to the Episcopalians in 1845 for \$1,800 when it became St. Paul’s property.

20. **Election:** Bishop Martins announced that the second ballot did not result in an election by majority of both Orders and that election proceedings would resume on Saturday.

After reminding delegates that all delegates would be required for election purposes to sign in again on Saturday morning, the Chair at 4:04pm declared the Synod in recess.

21. **Call to Order:** Bishop Martins reconvened Synod on Saturday, October 19, 2019 at 9:00am at the Premier Best Western Hotel.

22. **Report on Registrations/Quorum:** Deacon Leighton, Secretary of the Synod, reported that 30 of 38 registered clergy delegates were present and that 64 of 70 registered lay delegates were present. A Quorum for the conduct of business was declared.

23. **Election:** The Chair announced the results of the second ballot and reminded Synod that election requires a concurrent majority vote on the same ballot in both Orders. Tellers distributed a third ballot.

Regarding the priority designation of General Convention Alternate Deputies in both Orders, after some discussion and an initial motion that was withdrawn, the Parliamentarian offered a motion that the Synod recognize the election concurrently of Clergy alternates the Rev. Zachary Brooks and the Very Rev. Andrew S. Hook and that the order of precedence be determined by lot under supervision of the Secretary immediately upon adjournment of this Synod. After the motion was seconded, it was adopted by voice vote without any no votes. Then upon motion duly made and seconded that the Synod recognize the election concurrently of Lay alternates Mr. Donald Monty and Mr. Joe Patterson and that the order of precedence be determined by lot under supervision of the Secretary immediately upon adjournment of this Synod, the motion was adopted by voice vote without any no votes.

24. **Report – Secretary:** By title.

25. **Report - Standing Committee:** By title.

26. **Report - Commission on Ministry:** By title.

27. **Other Reports – Deanery Reports, Cursillo, Disciplinary Board, Chancellor, Archivist:** all by title.

28. **Report – Department of Youth:** The Very Rev. Benjamin D. Hankinson, Jr. gave the report for the Youth Department by power point presentation.

29. **Election:** The Secretary after consultation with the Parliamentarian announced that the third ballot was spoiled with more votes than registered delegates. Tellers distributed a fourth ballot.

30. **Report – Department of Mission:** The Rev. Michael J. Newago, Priest in Charge, St Barnabas, plus Mission Strategy Developer person for three northern deaneries, reported on the Diocesan vision for mission, including an audio-visual presentation.

31. **Synod Address:** Bishop Martins addressed the Synod. The full text of the address is posted to the Diocesan website. Among other points, Bishop Martins announced his intended retirement with consecration of the 12th Bishop of Springfield scheduled on the calendar of the Presiding Bishop for June 12, 2021, subject to decisions of Standing Committee for scheduling of election and other procedures.

32. **Election:** The Secretary after consultation with the Parliamentarian announced that the fourth ballot was also spoiled. By direction of the Chair, the Secretary called the rolls of each Order to verify registration specifics: 31 Clergy and 65 Lay delegates. As each delegate responded to the roll call, a Teller distributed a ballot directly. After the Inspectors of Election counted the ballots, the Ven. Shawn W. Denney was elected to Standing Committee by concurrent majority votes in both Orders, 19 Clergy and 39 Lay delegate votes.

33. **Miscellaneous Business:** Three of the appointments shown on Appendix II, page 52 needed confirmations by Synod

Chair, Department of Audit	The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Langford
Chair, Department of Finance	Mr. Charles Rice
Co-Chairs, Department of Mission	Mr. Gerry Smith and Mr. Randy Winn

Separate motions were made, seconded and adopted to confirm each of those appointments. The Chair also announced the appointments of (expiration shown in parentheses)

Diocesan Council	Mr. Marc Graves
Diocesan Council	The Rev. Christine C. Hopkins
Commission on Ministry, Chair	The Rev. John R. Henry
Commission on Ministry (Oct 2021)	Ms. Stacie Wachtel
Commission on Ministry (Oct 2021)	Mr. Stephen Pearson
Commission on Ministry (Oct 2022)	The Rev. John R. Henry
Commission on Ministry (Oct 2022)	Ms. Katy Cave
Commission on Ministry (Oct 2020)	The Rev. G. Timothy Leighton
Commission on Ministry (Oct 2020)	Mr. Chris Bennett
Chancellor (Oct 2021)	Kevin J. Babb, Esq.
Archivist (Oct 2020)	Ms. Judith Puckett

Deans and Deanery Representatives to Council

Acting Darrow Dean (2020)	The Rt. Rev. Anthony F. M. Clavier
Darrow Representative (2021)	Ms. Diane Martin
Eastern Dean (2021)	The Very Rev. Benjamin D. Hankinson, Jr.
Eastern Representative (2021)	Mr. Dan Shuler
Hale Dean (2020)	The Very Rev. Sheryl L. Black
Hale Representative (2020)	Ms. Dana Harris
Northern Dean (2021)	The Very Rev. David J. Halt
Northern Representative (2021)	Ms. Laurie Walter
Northeastern Dean (2021)	The Very Rev. Richard I. Lewis
Northeastern Representative (2021)	Mr. Richard Tribe
Northwestern Dean (2021)	The Very Rev. Zachary D. Brooks
Northwestern Representative (2020)	Mr. Charles Rice

34. **Good of the Order:** The Rev. Dale Coleman expressed appreciation for the ministry of Bishop Martins.

Erin and Carol McCrary held a drawing resulting from a fund raiser for the next Cursillo with funds to be used as scholarships for Cursillo candidates.

35. **COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS:** The Rev. Richard A. Swan then presented the following resolutions:

19-C-6 Thanks for Service to the Diocese, adopted by rising applause.

19-C-7 Thank you to the Host Congregation, adopted by applause.

The Rev. Robert D. Harmon then presented the following resolution:

19-C-8 Thank you to the Rev. Richard A. Swan, adopted by rising to standing ovation.

There were no motions to amend the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese submitted to the Committee on Resolutions.

36. **INVITATION TO THE ONE HUNDRED FORTY THIRD SYNOD.** The Very Rev. Benjamin D. Hankinson, Jr. and delegates invited the Diocese to attend Synod to be hosted by the Episcopal Parishes of Trinity, Mount Vernon, St. John's, Centralia and St. Thomas, Salem, dates to be announced in 2020.

37. **BLESSING AND ADJOURNMENT.** Bishop Martins gave the blessing, following which the Synod adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

Immediately following Synod adjournment, the newly elected Alternate Deputies in both Orders gathered with the Secretary. By coin flip, the Very Rev. Andrew S. Hook was designated as first Alternate Deputy – Clergy and Mr. Joe Patterson as designated as first Alternate Deputy – Lay. The Rev. Zachary D. Brooks and Mr. Donald Monty continue as the other Alternates in their respective Orders.

Respectfully submitted,
The Rev. G. Timothy Leighton, Secretary

APPENDIX XII

BISHOP'S REPORT – 2020

ORDAINED TO THE DIACONATE

Christopher B. Simpson	03/07/2020	Trinity, Lincoln
William C. Aikin	06/24/2020	St. Paul's, Carlinville

ORDAINED TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Christopher B. Simpson	09/14/2020	Trinity, Lincoln
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CLERGY DEATHS

Gus L. Franklin	05/03/2020	Springfield, IL
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CLERGY RECEIVED

Hannah M. Armidon	10/22/2020	Albany
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CLERGY TRANSFERRED

Jonathan P. Totty	06/03/2020	Dallas
Caleb S. Roberts	06/15/2020	Oklahoma
Ellis Brust	07/16/2020	Central Florida
David J. Halt	10/09/2020	Dallas

POSTULANTS FOR HOLY ORDERS

Devin Fryling	05/19/2020	St. John's, Centralia
Peter Sherman	05/19/2020	St. Luke's, Springfield

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS

David Knox	05/19/2020	Trinity, Mattoon
Mark Klamer	09/22/2020	St. Michael's, O'Fallon

CONFIRMATIONS, RECEPTIONS AND GIFTS TO DISCRETIONARY FUND

Location	Church	Confirmations	Receptions	Gifts
Bloomington	St. Matthew's	1		
Cairo	Redeemer	2		\$300.00
Carbondale	St. Andrew's			\$235.00
Danville	Holy Trinity	1		
Glen Carbon	St. Thomas'			\$180.00
Havana	St. Barnabas'			\$200.00
Jacksonville	Trinity	3		\$157.00
Lincoln	Trinity	5		\$156.00
Mattoon	Trinity			\$110.00
Mt. Vernon	Trinity			\$350.00
Normal	Christ the King			\$150.00
Pekin	St. Paul's	3		
Robinson	St. Mary's			\$150.00
Salem	St. Thomas'			\$123.00
Springfield	Christ Church	1		
<i>Total - Confirmations / Receptions and Bishop's Discretionary Fund Gifts</i>		16		\$2,111.00

SUMMARY OF MINISTRY IN 2020

(Not included in a Parochial Report)

Celebrations of Holy Communion	120	Number of Sermons	165
Assisting at Holy Communion	60	Counseling Sessions	20
Morning/Evening Prayer Services	52	Lectures	56
Baptisms	0	Pastoral Visits	124
Marriages	1	Burials	1
Presented for Confirmation/Reception	1	Other	3

LICENSED LAY MINISTRIES

ALBION, ST. JOHN'S

Worship Leader

Puckett, Judith (22)

Tennyson, Robert (22)

Scherer, Dan (22)

Works, David (22)

ALTON, EPISCOPAL PARISH

Worship Leader

Martin, Diane (21)

Molloy, Mary (21)

McNutt, Timothy (22)

Lukasik, Susan (21)

Eucharistic Minister

LoRusso, Marti (23)

McNutt, Timothy (22)

Martin, Diane (23)

Harris, Thomas (20)

Eucharistic Visitor

Goers, Sue (20)

Martin, Diane (20)

Molloy, Mary (20)

Preacher

McNutt, Timothy (22)

BELLEVILLE, ST. GEORGE'S

Worship Leader

Brown, Margaret (22)

Lynk, Cindy (22)

Jacobs, Judy (22)

Maves, Brian (22)

Eucharistic Visitor

Gillispie, Jim (22)

Gillispie, Viv (22)

Hall, Vicki (22)

BLOOMINGTON, ST. MATTHEW'S

Worship Leader

Bennett, Christopher (23)

Lavikoff, Emily (23)

Carroll, Martha (23)

Levine, Robin (23)

Carter, Shelley Brenneman (23)

Sokan, Ann (23)

Johns, William (23)

Thomas, Linda (23)

Eucharistic Minister

Bennett, Christopher (23)
Carter, Shelley Brennehan (23)
Johns, William (23)
Kohlhase, Robert (23)

Lavikoff, Emily (23)
Levine, Robin (23)
Pitts, John (23)

CAIRO, CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

Eucharistic Minister

Harris, Dana Gayle (21)

CARBONDALE, ST. ANDREW'S

Worship Leader

Kammerer, Henry (22) Monty, Don (22)

CARLINVILLE, ST. PAUL'S

Worship Leader

Aikin, W. Carter (22) Herndon, Elisabeth (22)
Clark, Barbara (22) Moberg, Ward (22)

Eucharistic Minister

Clark, Larry (22) Rice, Charlie (22) Zimmerman, Toby (22)

CENTRALIA, ST. JOHN'S

Eucharistic Minister

Baumann, Elizabeth (22) Carol McCrary (22) Shook, Steve (22)
Chuck Lewis (22) Erin McCrary (22)

Preacher

Baumann, Elizabeth (21)

CHAMPAIGN, CHAPEL OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

Eucharistic Minister

Benton, Richard (22)	Krooks, David (22)	Rao, Christopher (22)
Buzard, John Paul (22)	Mulhall, Kay (22)	Reedy, Frances (22)
Cross, Matthew (22)	Mulhall, Peter (22)	Ricker, Kathleen (22)
Crummey, Lorraine (22)	Norton, Benjamin (22)	Sloffer, Elizabeth (22)
Delvin, Robert (22)	Poulosky, Laura (22)	Vaughan, Steve (22)
Knox, Emily (22)	Prisland, Ann (22)	Wene, Ruth, (22)

Eucharistic Visitor

Crummey, Lorraine (22)	Krooks, David (22)	Wene, Ruth, (22)
Delvin, Robert (22)	Mulhall, Kay (22)	

CHAMPAIGN, EMMANUEL MEMORIAL

Eucharistic Minister

Burrus, Roger (21)	Kocheril, Lisa (21)	Russell, Craig (21)
Burrus, Sara (21)	McGrath, Mary (21)	Ryle, Lynn (21)
Dobrik, Lori (21)	McQueen, Kim (21)	Scheeler, Hediye (21)
Gunn, Dylan (22)	Morgenstern, Jean (21)	Sonnichsen, Laura (21)
Hopkins, Mike (21)	Noel, Dan (21)	Weaver, Carl (21)
Kocheril, Abe (21)	Rounds, Alex (21)	

Eucharistic Visitor

Bohrer, Joyce (20)	McQueen, Kim (21)	Russell, Craig (23)
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DANVILLE, CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY

Eucharistic Minister

Roesch, Jr., Don (22)

DECATUR, ST. JOHN'S

Worship Leader

Swan, Mary Ann (20)

Eucharistic Minister

Barding, Tracy (20)	Ellison, Judy (20)	Lancaster, Wilbur (20)
Davis, Dona (20)	Gucker, Doug (20)	Swan, Mary Ann (20)
Dodson, Christopher (20)	Gucker, Jane (20)	

Eucharistic Visitor

Davis, Dona (20)	Gucker, Jane (20)	McCullough, JoAnna (22)
Gucker, Doug (20)	Ellison, Judy (21)	

Preacher

Dodson, Christopher Ryan (20)

EDWARDSVILLE, ST. ANDREW'S

Worship Leader

Ireland, Donna (22)

Eucharistic Minister

Atwood, Riley (22)	Depew, Drake (22)	Gillentine, Jimmy (22)
Babb, Kevin (22)	DeWall, Nichole (22)	Hoffman, Sharon (22)
Berger, Kim (22)	Douglas, Heather (22)	Ireland, Donna (22)
Buckley, Sue (22)	Dudding, Keith (22)	LaTemp, Dana (22)
Burns, Miriam (22)	Edwards, Liz (22)	Soule, George (22)

Eucharistic Visitor

Hoffman, Sharon (22)

LINCOLN, TRINITY

Worship Leader

Burbage, Ellen (22)

Dickerson, Jan (22)

Moore, Sandy (22)

Wachtel, Stacie (22)

Eucharistic Minister

Asplin, Parker (23)

Burbage, Ellen (22)

Byers, Dalton (23)

DeLoriea, Bill (22)

Dickerson, Jan (22)

Howe, Jasmine (23)

Lichtenwalter, Merna (22)

Meade, Andrew (23)

Moore, Sandy (22)

Reynolds, Sharon (22)

Sprague, Ronald (22)

Strader, John (22)

Wachtel, Stacie (22)

Wicklaine, Galen (22)

Eucharistic Visitor

Burbage, Ellen (22)

Byers, Dalton (23)

Dickerson, Jan (22)

Lichtenwalter, Merna (22)

Moore, Sandy (22)

Post, William (22)

Wicklaine, Galen (22)

MARION, ST. JAMES' CHAPEL

Worship Leader

Kammerer, Henry (22)

Monty, Don (22)

MATTOON, TRINITY

Worship Leader

Cole, Nancy (22)

Knox, David (22)

Staton, Greg (22)

Veach, Kelly (22)

Young, Bailey (22)

Eucharistic Minister

Cole, Nancy (22)

Knox, David (22)

Staton, Greg (22)

Veach, Kelly (22)

Young, Bailey (22)

Eucharistic Visitor

Cole, Nancy (22)

Harper, Carol (22)

Knox, David (22)

Staton, Greg (22)

Knox, David (22)

Preacher

MT. CARMEL, ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Worship Leader

Kensell, Donald (22)

Peach, Carolyn (22)

Eucharistic Minister

Hazlett, Stephanie (22)

Kensell, Donald (22)

Peach, Carolyn (22)

MT. VERNON, TRINITY

Worship Leader

Adams, James (23) Cralley, Tami (23)
Adams, Tracy (23) Schelosky, Esther (23)

Eucharistic Minister

Adams, James (23) Adams, Will (23)
Adams, Tracy (23) Bruce, Jacob (23)

Eucharistic Visitor

Schelosky, Esther (23)

Preacher

Stewart, Jeff (20)

NORMAL, CHRIST THE KING

Worship Leader

Hambleton, Peter (22) Smith, Gerry (22)
Matthews, Rod (22) Walter, Laurie (22)

Eucharistic Minister

Brown, Judy (22) Smith, Gerry (22) Walter, Laurie (22)
Gehrand, Keith (22) Tomera, Lindsay (22)
Matthews, Rod (22) Vitti, Joe (22)

Eucharistic Visitor

Brown, Judy (22) Smith, Gerry (22)

O'FALLON, ST. MICHAEL'S

Worship Leader

Anglin, Dante' (22) Gore, Harry (22) Klamer, Mark (22)
Butterfield, Robert (22) Hamill, Candi (22) Wetmore, Catherine (22)

Eucharistic Minister

Anglin, Dante' (22) Gore, Harry (22) Klamer, Mark (22)
Butterfield, Robert (22) Hamill, Candi (22) Wetmore, Catherine (22)

Eucharistic Visitor

Arsenault, Priscilla (22) Meek, Judy (22) Summers, Miriam (22)

ROBINSON, ST. MARY'S***Worship Leader***

Akande, Lorraine (22)

Akande, Morayo (23)

Clark, Michael (21)

Frank, Cindi (22)

Rains, R. J. (21)

Eucharistic Minister

Clark, Michael (21)

Eucharistic Visitor

Clark, Michael (21)

SALEM, ST. THOMAS'***Eucharistic Minister***

Lever, David (22)

Shuler, Danny (22)

Preacher

Baumann, Elizabeth (21)

SPRINGFIELD, CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PAUL***Worship Leader***

Beard, Susan (21)

Campbell, Kevin (21)

Kichinko, Martha (21)

LoBue, Don (21)

Lynn, Connie (21)

Patterson, Joe (21)

Ribelin, Claire (21)

Ribelin, Mark (21)

Stevenson, Jay (21)

Taylor, Norman (21)

Eucharistic Minister

Beard Susan (21)

Evans, Ken (21)

Hutchcraft, Bryan (21)

Kichinko, Martha (21)

Kleiss, Holly (21)

Laubersheimer, David (21)

LoBue, Don (21)

Patterson, Joe (21)

Ribelin, Claire (21)

Ribelin, Mark (21)

Stevenson, Jay (21)

Swaar, Warren (21)

Taylor, Norman (21)

Eucharistic Visitor

Beard, Susan (21)

Lynn, Connie (21)

SPRINGFIELD, CHRIST CHURCH***Worship Leader***

Cornelius, James (22)

Stericker, Fred (22)

Tanner, Jo Anne (22)

Tucker, Nancy (22)

Eucharistic Minister

Blankenship, Karen (22)

Cornelius, Anne (22)

Cornelius, James (22)

Dixon, Joy (22)

Stericker, Fred (22)

Tanner, Jo Anne (22)

Tanner, Jim (22)

Tucker, Nancy (22)

Eucharistic Visitor

Brittin, Donna (22)

Cornelius, James (22)

Dixon, Joy (22)

Tucker, Nancy (22)

SPRINGFIELD, ST. LUKE'S

Worship Leader

Dungey, Keenan (22)

Sherman, Pete (22)

Eucharistic Minister

Dungey, Keenan (22)

Hopper, David (22)

Jackson, Willian (22)

Sherman, Pete (22)

Eucharistic Visitor

Jackson, William (22)

Sherman, Pete (22)

WEST FRANKFORT, ST. MARK'S

Eucharistic Minister

Wilson, Catherine (22)

Vital Statistics 20

City	Congregation	Active Members	Communicants in Good Standing	Others Active	Average Sunday Attendance	Sunday Eucharists	Baptisms 16 yrs and Older	Baptisms Under 16 Years	Confirmed or Received
Albion	St John's	13	13	0	5	37	0	0	0
Alton	Episcopal Parish in Alton	343	108	2	58	60	0	0	0
Belleville	St George's	331	293	4	69	85	0	0	0
Bloomington	St Matthew's	265	133	5	77	83	0	0	2
Cairo	Church of the Redeemer	47	28	8	22	34	0	0	2
Carbondale	St Andrew's	130	109	2	43	66	0	0	0
Carlinville	St Paul's	41	41	2	28	45	0	0	0
Centralia	St John's	25	24	15	22	40	0	0	0
Champaign	Chapel of St John the Divine	238	220	0	118	20	0	0	0
Champaign	Emmanuel Memorial	390	207	54	115	50	0	2	0
Danville	Holy Trinity	62	42	1	41	38	0	0	0
Decatur	St John's	170	147	0	65	106	0	0	0
Edwardsville	St Andrew's	111	111	8	82	62	0	1	0
Glen Carbon	St Thomas'	37	37	0	20	38	0	0	0
Granite City	St Bartholomew's	13	13	0	6	44	0	0	0
Harrisburg	St Stephens'	37	37	4	11	47	0	0	0
Havana	St Barnabas'	39	37	0	21	35	1	0	0
Jacksonville	Trinity	85	67	14	15	54	0	3	3
Lincoln	Trinity	55	50	37	44	88	0	1	5
Mattoon	Trinity	41	31	1	22	43	0	1	0
Morton	All Saints'	33	32	1	25	38	0	0	0
Mount Carmel	St John the Baptist	49	49	7	27	9	0	1	0
Mount Vernon	Trinity	72	72	2	24	21	0	1	0
Normal	Christ the King	65	63	11	37	36	0	0	0
O'Fallon	St Michael's	105	88	2	38	37	0	0	0
Pekin	St Paul's	46	43	1	35	45	0	0	0
Rantoul	St Christopher's	24	22	0	10	42	0	0	0
Robinson	St Mary's	11	11	0	6	3	0	0	0
Salem	St Thomas'	14	14	3	12	41	0	0	0
Springfield	Cathedral Church of St Paul	445	116	0	76	85	0	0	0
Springfield	Christ Church	125	125	0	50	0	0	1	1
Springfield	St Luke's	95	77	5	30	112	0	1	0
West Frankfort	St Mark's	25	15	0	10	35	0	0	0
Grand Total		3,582	2,475	189	1,264	1,579	1	12	13

Financial Statistics 20

City	Congregation	Plate & Pledge Income	Operating Revenues	Total Revenues	Operating Expenses	To the Diocese	Outreach & Development	Total Expenses
Albion	St John's	10,669	10,669	10,669	11,405	1,240	1,000	11,405
Alton	Episcopal Parish in Alton	84,188	102,327	112,332	208,274	15,209	15,000	221,251
Belleville	St George's	202,566	219,177	219,177	210,929	32,877	59,568	270,497
Bloomington	St Matthew's	200,166	255,968	293,340	245,751	50,981	23,881	273,593
Cairo	Church of the Redeemer	33,669	33,669	93,109	29,145	6,371	67,695	103,418
Carbondale	St Andrew's	107,363	125,421	130,017	129,876	18,000	2,665	132,427
Carlinville	St Paul's	51,906	143,204	143,204	134,641	18,400	4,480	136,341
Centralia	St John's	26,084	26,204	41,240	26,954	3,912	1,500	28,454
Champaign	Chapel of St John the Divine	180,644	275,034	495,273	300,816	43,847	219,112	517,978
Champaign	Emmanuel Memorial	408,019	719,771	786,516	538,647	87,643	54,878	612,481
Danville	Holy Trinity	44,681	83,230	83,230	80,104	12,585	0	80,104
Decatur	St John's	180,384	193,387	199,953	136,057	30,590	5,260	141,375
Edwardsville	St Andrew's	185,893	186,853	224,057	198,684	28,755	18,679	217,363
Glen Carbon	St Thomas'	34,655	34,655	35,097	32,832	1,300	200	33,354
Granite City	St Bartholomew's	26,841	26,841	26,841	23,773	0	0	23,773
Harrisburg	St Stephens'	39,126	39,418	46,235	30,669	8,850	400	30,919
Havana	St Barnabas'	30,622	86,888	93,742	83,855	15,281	7,603	90,758
Jacksonville	Trinity	69,387	242,657	261,013	228,836	38,348	17,582	241,402
Lincoln	Trinity	117,755	179,370	179,870	172,345	26,980	212	172,457
Mattoon	Trinity	47,109	53,786	78,123	51,862	9,932	23,640	75,819
Morton	All Saints'	59,570	70,164	70,164	64,048	9,121	1,816	65,864
Mt. Carmel	St John the Baptist	21,201	219,741	219,741	151,065	43,712	35,159	153,265
Mt. Vernon	Trinity	53,708	54,208	70,798	28,945	8,131	9,000	39,270
Normal	Christ the King	101,799	101,799	110,649	83,614	16,330	8,107	91,871
O'Fallon	St Michael's	134,814	143,780	148,216	106,271	26,598	115	111,472
Pekin	St Paul's	73,733	110,200	110,200	128,798	16,530	213	129,011
Rantoul	St Christopher's	8,850	9,101	9,101	10,090	600	0	10,090
Robinson	St Mary's	7,198	7,218	8,068	5,692	1,547	0	6,205
Salem	St Thomas'	21,682	21,682	22,174	27,934	2,000	0	28,481
Springfield	Cathedral Church of St Paul	186,995	186,995	229,822	223,839	22,618	0	227,805
Springfield	Christ Church	124,256	329,008	1,650,008	329,008	51,317	75,580	404,588
Springfield	St Luke's	61,440	63,808	156,714	65,209	8,512	4,457	66,366
W. Frankfort	St Mark's	30,051	30,051	30,276	33,532	4,086	500	33,757
Grand Total		2,967,024	4,386,284	6,388,969	4,133,500	662,203	658,302	4,783,214