

**DIOCESAN DAY OF PRAYER for
THE ELECTION OF THE SECOND BISHOP of
THE ANGLICAN DIOCESE IN NEW ENGLAND**

Saturday, September 22, 2018

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

You are encouraged to use or refer to The Guide for Prayerful Discernment in the Election of a New Bishop
ad-ne.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/A-GUIDE-FOR-PRAYERFUL-DISCERNMENT-for-Website-1.pdf

10AM Gathering and Fellowship

Worship and Praise

Suggested Hymnal 1940 hymns:

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

The Word of God

Acts 20:17-35; 1 Timothy 3:1-7; James 1:5-8; Matthew 28:18-30

Opening Prayer

O Great and Mighty God, who bestows all good gifts and who anoints leaders to lead your church and advance your Kingdom, graciously guide the minds and hearts of those who will choose a new bishop for this Diocese. Let them follow in the examples of faith set forth by our Savior and his Apostles to trust in your provision of the person whom you desire to fulfill this office. Lord, bless and guard the candidates that from among them we would receive a shepherd who by your power will protect, feed and tend the flock of Christ. Grant us grace to obediently follow him, receiving in unity your chosen leader. Go before him and us, that by your grace, help, and favor, we may continue the work you have prepared for us to do, that we your church may bring honor and glory to your holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

Thursday:

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

Friday:

Pray for the candidates for Bishop, Andrew Williams and Thomas Herrick, that they may readily answer the call of Christ. May the Lord fill them with every good gift from the Spirit. May the one chosen to be our next bishop have vision and be equipped to lead us forward in mission in New England.

Saturday:

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

laborers and church planters across New England to bring the transforming love of Jesus Christ.

11:00 Small Group Prayer – including Zoom (link: <https://zoom.us/j/7011459879>)

Prayer for requests from Bishop Murdoch

Prayer for the Committee on Nominations for Bishop

Prayer for Episcopal Transition Dates/Events

October 11-13, 2018 Candidates “Walk Around”

November 17, 2018 Episcopal Election at Synod

January 9, 2019 College of Bishops Ratification

March 16, 2019 ADNE Episcopal Consecration

Prayer for one another

12M Midday Prayer

12:30 Lunch (provided or purchased)

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

Monday:

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

Tuesday:

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

Wednesday:

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

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

2:00 Closing Prayer

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

(BCP Liturgy for the Ordination of a Bishop)

May you be blessed in your praying!

Fr. Len Cowan