



The Good news from the Office of the Bishop

The Rt. Rev. Mark Lattime, 8th Bishop of Alaska

From the Bishop

Sabbatical

[I confess to you, Lord...] “my” negligence in prayer and worship, and “my” failure to commend the faith that is in “me.” (BCP pg 268)

This petition is found in the Litany of Penitence from the Ash Wednesday liturgy (BCP pgs. 267-269). The Litany of Penitence is one of my personal favorites. I wish it were used more frequently in our liturgical life. To me it always rings true and draws the depth of my confession into deeper spiritual waters.

If the General Confession of our Office liturgies and Holy Eucharist call us to renew our commitment to follow Christ in the way of Love, the Litany of Penitence provides a more detailed chart, or map, for us to follow. It names the hidden reefs, the dangerous tides, the shallow channels that often bring us to grief as we seek to follow the way of Jesus.

I have personalized this specific petition from the Litany of Penitence because when I prayed it during Ash Wednesday services this year my spirit was staggered, my heart convicted. The words also caused a physical response in me. My body felt torn asunder and exposed. I nearly wept.

I confess to you, Lord, my negligence in prayer and worship, and my failure to commend the faith that is in me. Have mercy, Lord.

It is difficult for me, your bishop, to admit this (perhaps it is even scandalous), but I have been negligent in my prayer life. I have not been true to the faith that sustains me. And while I show-up for worship, here, too, I must confess that it has been more often going through the motions.

The symptoms have been growing. I’m tired. I feel overwhelmed. Instead of energy, joy, excitement, and a sense of adventure that have always marked the challenges and twists of my ministry as bishop, I’ve allowed cynicism, dread, and, dare I say, apathy to take hold. Worse, I’ve

sacrificed my prayer life on the altar of busy-ness and schedule. My vision has become short. My horizon draws ever nearer. Discernment is cloudy.

I'm risking this spiritual honesty with you because I want you to know that even bishop's have times when they need to work on their spiritual life. Even bishop's need to rediscover the strength and healing of the faith and prayer that has been given them in the Spirit. Even bishop's neglect to take care of their own prayer and worship. It is good to remember that the prayers, spiritual practices, and disciplines in the Prayer Book were written for all of us. The Litany of Penitence was written for bishops every bit as much as it was written for the laity.

I am grateful for the words of theologian, writer, and poet Frederick Buechner. I was introduced to Buechner while I was in seminary. I've often found direction in his words. One of his lines that I have treasured is:

"Listen to your life."

Simple, yet, profound. Too often all of us turn a deaf ear to what our life is telling us, and we lose sight of the holy and hidden heart of it. Prayer and worship get lost along the way. Here is the full quotation from Buechner's book, "Now and Then: A Memoir of Vocation."

"Listen to your life. See it for the fathomless mystery it is. In the boredom and pain of it, no less than in the excitement and gladness: touch, taste, smell your way to the holy and hidden heart of it, because in the last analysis all moments are key moments, and life itself is grace."

Sabbatical is grounded in listening to your life and discovering, or rediscovering, the holy and hidden heart of it.

My life is telling me I need to refocus; to renew the power of my prayer life; to commend the faith that is in me and draw deeply on its holy mysteries; and to rediscover the affirming, vision expanding, soul nourishing feast of true worship.

My life is telling me it is time for sabbatical.

I will be taking a sabbatical this spring. It will be a time to renew my prayer life, strengthen my faith, and to restore worship to the center of my life. Additionally, it will be an opportunity for me to study, pursue some interests beyond the scope of my ministry, and to engage in some opportunities that will strengthen my vision and ministry as the Bishop of Alaska. Finally, perhaps most importantly, it will be a

time for me to grow in self awareness of who I am in the loving image of Christ.

My sabbatical will begin Easter Monday, April 13 and will conclude July 5. For this period, I will be unavailable. This includes email, text, and social media responses. I may post an occasional update to Facebook, but these will be informational. I will not attend deanery meetings. I will not be available for funerals. I will not be taking appointments. I have no parish Visitations scheduled.

Arrangements have been made to maintain support of the Diocese and the pastoral needs of the clergy and congregations. All requests for Episcopal Pastoral support or other concerns or needs should be directed to Melissa Ward, Bishop's Assistant. You may reach her at the Diocesan Office (907) 452-3040 or alaskcopalians@gci.net. Any Title IV concerns should be addressed to Suzanne Krull, Canon for Finance and Administration. She is available by calling the Diocesan Office or at SKrull@gci.net. (The Rev.) Caroline Malseed is the President of the Standing Committee. She is and will be available to address ecclesiastical questions or concerns, as well.

For the period of my sabbatical, I have arranged for one of my bishop colleagues to be "on-call" in the event there is the specific need for a Bishop's ministry or oversight. Contact with the on-call bishop will be coordinated by the Diocesan Office.

Educational Scholarships

The Episcopal Church awards scholarships of up to \$10,000 for educational purposes to a variety of constituents within the broader Episcopal community.

The scholarships are derived from annual income of designated trust funds established by generous donors through bequests to The Episcopal Church. A number of these scholarships support students enrolled in theological education and training.

Scholarships are available for educational training for ethnic communities, children of missionaries, bishops and clergy, and other groups, covering a wide range of eligibility.

All applications must be submitted online. The deadline for submitting an application for the 2020-2021 academic year is April 8, 2020. Only complete applications will be considered.

Available amount (2019 and 2020): \$500,000

For more information including a list of the Scholarships follow this link:

<https://episcopalchurch.org/grants/educational-scholarships>



Worship in the time of COVID-19 "The Coronavirus" By Bishop Mark Lattime

Some of you may be facing questions or addressing concerns about the spread of the COVID-19 virus. And some may be wondering about "Best Practices" for preventing the spread of the virus within your community.

As you know, I have just returned from a week in Taiwan. Taiwan has taken active steps to reduce the possible spread of the coronavirus, the most significant being their travel ban imposed to and from mainland China and Hong Kong. The wearing of face masks was "encouraged" when in densely populated enclosed areas, but not mandatory. Every public space, however, did have a hand sanitizing station. People were highly encouraged to maintain vigilance with hand washing.

The "science" on the use of masks is NOT conclusive. There is some evidence that a mask may reduce the exposure of others if an infected person coughs while wearing a mask. There is also some suggestion that wearers of masks may reduce the amount of exposure that can come from touching the face with hands that may have been exposed to the virus.

The bottom line is that the greatest protection against the spread of the virus is to avoid close contact with someone who is infected. The CDC has data that suggests that close contact means physical contact. The virus does NOT have super powers to soar across time and space. The CDC provides evidence that a distance of 6 feet from a person with active symptoms reduces one's risk to low.

While in Taiwan, we were warmly greeted at the hotel restaurant, all public restaurants, the museum, and the Sun Yat-sen Memorial by very pleasant greeters. Their welcome included a spray of hand sanitizer AND a quick check of our temperature with a no-touch instant read thermometer. I do not know what would have happened if my temperature had be elevated; but, I do know that I would have been very grateful for the information. I also know that I would NOT want to risk infecting others and would have self-quarantined and sought medical assistance.

The Cathedral also offered a similar welcome, including the checking of temperatures. One of the acolytes was assigned the additional duty of being the "Server of the Hand Spray." All done with appropriate subtlety, but not hidden such that folks weren't aware that precautions were being taken.

So, what are some practices or considerations we might incorporate into our worship services and church gatherings?

1. It is important to make all precautions part of a welcome and expression of hospitality. Do not stigmatize, but reinforce that hospitality requires taking good care for the welfare of all.
2. Encourage, promote, provide for, model and remind folks that maintaining excellent hand sanitation is a well established preventative measure that EVERYONE should take.
3. Tell people that they should stay home, take seriously, and inform their doctor if they have a

temperature over 99.5 or any flu-like symptoms. This applies to CLERGY, too!!!

4. Remind parishioners that the church wants to know if they are sick and not leaving the house. Arrange for prayer and pastoral care for those at home.
5. How often do you check your own temperature? You might consider having some quick read no-touch thermometers available and offer screening. I'm not suggesting such screening be required to participate. But it might be an extension of care and an opportunity to encourage people with early symptoms to self-quarantine and seek medical advice.
6. Remind your parishioners that our sacramental theology holds that the full benefit of Communion is received by those who desire it but can only receive it in one kind or not at all.
7. Encourage (teach) people to use healthy coughing and sneezing etiquette: best is to cover the mouth with a tissue, dispose the tissue in a lined waste basket, wash/sanitize hands immediately. Do you have tissues available in your pews? What about waste baskets? hand sanitizer?
8. The Peace: Many options here. Many opinions, too. The Cathedral in Taiwan encouraged bowing. Hand shaking while "incarnational" is a demonstrated vector for transmission.
9. Holy Communion: the irony is that many more individuals are practicing "intinction"/dipping the bread in the wine. Frankly, dunking up to the knuckles is likely to create more exposure than sipping from the cup. There is very little to no trustworthy evidence that drinking from the common cup is a vector for infection. Nevertheless, Offer options. Hospitality sometimes requires accommodation of others concerns. You will NOT convince someone who is worried about exposure to illness that they have nothing to fear.
10. Talk about it. Allow folks to express concerns. Assure your people that the church is taking this seriously and that our hospitality includes a responsibility to one another to take care. Invite any of your parish medical practitioners to address the concerns. What does indigenous wisdom and tradition teach us about best health practices?

Be humble. Be flexible. You may have every strong well-developed theological or sacramental reason for why it is important that the Peace be done one way or Communion distributed one specific way; but the rubrics are often flexible (or, at least, allow for some options) and, therefore, so can you.



Post Convention Notes By Suzanne Krull

A huge, THANK YOU, to the people at St. Mary's, Anchorage! Their hospitality and generosity in hosting the 44th Diocesan Convention was superb. The work that goes into hosting convention is full of blessings and challenges and St. Mary's took care of us with grace and kindness. Thank you.

Our theme was Living in the Spirit: The Art of Life, "Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit." NIV Galatians 5:25. Bishop Mark shared with us, in his address, five principals of faith: Prayer, Study, Serving, Giving and Sharing. He also said, "How we live our lives is a reflection of our relationship with God. God never chooses not to be in relationship with us, but we can choose not to live in relationship with God." He challenged us to practice the five principals of faith, individually and as the church.

At the 44th Convention, we were blessed to have Pastor Paul Oman and The Rev. Nancy James as our keynote speakers. Paul shared his artist talents at both the convention and the clergy Conference and opened our minds to the inspiring color of the Word. His paintings are highlighted on the 2020 Diocesan Calendars. Nancy enlightened us on the Fire of the Spirit: Blessing and Glory and Honor and Power; sharing her knowledge and passion for the extraordinary life of Jeanne De La Mothe Guyon.

Also, thank you, for past service, to those who served on Diocesan committees; especially those whose terms were complete at convention. Commission on Ministry: The Rev. Marilyn Duggar, term expired (re-appointed); Sarah Stanley, term expired (re-appointed); - Standing Committee: Lucy Adams, resignation; The Rev. Mary Norton, term expired (re-elected); The Rev. Ann Whitney, term expired; Mabel Vent, term expired (re-elected) - Disciplinary Board: The Rev. Gordon Blue, term expired - FIT (Faith Into Tomorrow Endowment) Committee: The Rev. Julie Platson, term expired (re-elected).

We expressed our gratitude and appreciation for the time and commitment of Mr. Eric Wohlforth, Esq, serving as the Diocesan Chancellor for 47 years; the longest serving Chancellor in the history of the Episcopal Church. We wish Eric continued blessings during his retirement; he now serves as Chancellor Emeritus. Ms. Sarah Stanley has been appointed Chancellor and we are grateful for her service and dedication.

Congratulations to those who were elected/appointed to serve on a Diocesan Committee at this year's diocesan convention. Commission on Ministry: The Rev. Marilyn Duggar, appointed; Sarah Stanley, appointed; Michael Rowcroft, elected - Standing Committee: The Rev. Mary Norton, elected; Robert Dirks, elected (1yr term); Mabel Vent, elected; The Rev. Lauren Pifke, elected - Disciplinary Board: The Rev. Michael Burke, elected - FIT (Faith Into Tomorrow Endowment) Committee: The Rev. Julie Platson, elected - Constitutions & Canons elected: The Rev. Chip Mills, Patricia Hull, Robin Moorehouse, The Rev. Mary Norton, Gary Shields; Sarah Stanley (ex-officio) – General Convention Deputies: Clergy Deputies: The Rev. Mary Norton, #1; The Rev. Michael Burke, #2; The Rev. Bessie Titus, #3; The Rev. Enoch Adams, Jr, #4; The Rev. Betty Glover Alternate#1; The Rev. Dawn Allen-Herron, Alternate #2; The Rev. Julie Platson, Alternate #3, The Rev. Elsa DeHart, Alternate #4; The Rev. Caroline Malseed, Alternate #5, The Rev. Judith Lethin, Alternate #6

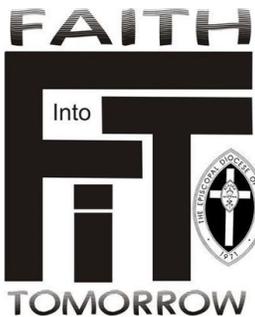
General Convention Deputies: Lay Deputies: Fred Arriola, #1; Dan Hall, #2; Robert Dirks, #3; Paul Williams, Jr, #4; Alice Holinger, Alternate #1; Janet Mitchell, Alternate #2; Adam Lees, Alternate #3; Tom Marsh, Alternate

#4; Al Alvarez, Alternate #5; Florence Folger, Alternate #6; Loyd Platson, Alternate #7.

We also want to say thank you to all those who allowed their names to be presented for nomination that were not elected. Thank you for your courage and willingness to serve!!

We pleased to announce that the Convention Offerings totaled \$1,816.76. Praise God for all our blessings! The offerings will be go toward the delegate assistance fund, which provides scholarship for those congregation that would otherwise not be able to send a delegate to Convention due to finances.

The 2020 Budget was approved without change and a copy can be found on the diocesan website, www.episcopal ak.org. The Standing Committee approved the convention minutes at their November meeting and a copy is posted on the diocesan website.



FIT Grant Information By Suzanne Krull

The Faith Into Tomorrow (FIT) 2020 grant application packets will be mailed to each congregation in February. Below is a summary of the grants available in 2020.

Case 4 – Youth Ministries. This program has \$7,126 available for granting. The purpose this grant is to enrich our youth ministries. Examples of programs that this grant provides funding for are: activates that promote local congregational, deanery, or diocesan youth ministries; support for campus ministries; youth leadership training events and retreats; and youth attendance at Episcopal conferences, retreats, camps, and national events. Applications must be postmarked no later than October 11, 2020.

Case 5 – Caring for Victims of Poverty and Abuse. This program has \$7,160 available for granting. Examples of programs that this grant provides funding for are: food pantries, food banks, clothing, service to the homeless, shelters, soup kitchens, support of ministry to victims of substance abuse, victims of abuse, and prison ministries. Applications must be postmarked no later than October 11, 2020.

Case 6 – Encouraging Spiritual Growth and Outreach. This program has \$2,520 available for granting. Examples of programs that this grant provides funding for are: gatherings, retreats, workshops, conferences dedicated to enhancing spirituality; travel for the purpose of sharing Christian education, music, worship, resources; or the support of media programs (TV, radio, video, etc.) to reach out to people with the Good News of the Gospel. Applications must be postmarked no later than October 11, 2020.

Case 2B – Traveling Work Team Support Grant. This program will provide up to \$500 per year, per congregation for team of workers (2 or more people), from outside the congregation, to help build or repair churches, rectories, retreat centers, camps or diocesan centers. The annual cap for total distribution is \$3,000. Applications must be postmarked no later than May 15, 2020 which is a different deadline than the above ministry grant programs. Grant awards will be made by June 15, 2020.

CASE 2A – Facility Emergency Repair or Replacement. This program has \$74,012 available for grants/loans. Maximum per applicant church is \$10,000. Case 2A provides funds for the immediate response to

emergencies such as, but not limited to: fire, floods, wind, extreme cold, failed heating or plumbing fixtures or systems, sudden structural failure” These funds are to help pay for facility repair or replacement due to damage or destruction from an unexpected or suddenly occurring event. Applications must be received within 60 days from the date of the incident or event.

1) EMERGENCY GRANT’s are available to churches with an average Sunday attendance of 75 or less or diocesan facilities (non-congregational) whose operating income is less than \$100,000.00

2) EMERGENCY NO INTEREST LOANS are available to churches with an average Sunday attendance of 76 or greater or to facilities (non-congregational) whose operating income is more than \$100,000.00.

**Applications must be postmarked no later than deadline. ** Applications are available on the diocesan web-site, www.episcopalak.org or through the Bishop’s Office by calling 1-800-478-3043.

FIT 2019 Award Announcement

We are pleased to announce the results of the 2019 Faith Into Tomorrow Endowment Fund grant application process.

We had 17 applications between all three Cases; with a total funding request of \$40,461.27 for the \$16,904.00 available. Although we are not able to fund every request, we want to assure everyone that the applications were all worthy.

The awards are listed below.

Case 4 – Youth Ministry		
Amount available - \$7,430; \$6,627 plus \$803 returned unspent previous award		
Church or Group	Program Name	Amount Awarded
St. Timothy’s, Chalkyisik	Summer Youth Camp	\$734
St. Paul’s, Hughes	Sunday School	\$3,124
Epiphany, Valdez	Godly Play	\$1,000
St. Luke’s, Shageluk	Kid’s Church	\$2,572

Case 5 – Caring for Victims of Poverty and Abuse		
Amount available - \$6,661		
Church or Group	Program Name	Amount Awarded
Good Shepherd, Huslia	Soup Kitchen	\$1,200
St. George’s, Kotzebue	Cudd Hall Community Kitchen	\$3,461
St. Christopher’s, Anchorage	Food Pantry	\$2,000

Thanks to all those who applied. Congratulations to those listed above. The 2020 applications will be mailed

Society of St Simeon and St. Anna: Nominations suspended for 2020 By Suzanne Krull

At the 2019 Diocesan Convention it was announced that the standing committee is seeking advice and help from the delegates and members of the Diocese to look at ongoing viability of the Society of St Simeon and St. Anna, as it is currently structured.

The current structure is administratively cumbersome and may not be meeting the needs and goals of its original intention. The [Society of St Simeon and St. Anna](#) is currently over 500 members, with 15 – 30 new inductees a year.

Convention delegates were asked to please take this concern home to parishes and deaneries for discussion and prayer. All were asked to consider and study cultural differences in the ways of honoring elders and other ideas to decrease the administrative burden on the Diocesan office and to consider how we can serve our elders and how can our elders serve us. Finally, the standing committee requested, “please discuss this at the next meeting of your deanery and report to the standing committee.”

The standing committee took action at their November 2019 meeting to put a moratorium on and suspend nominations to the Society [of St. Simeon and St. Anna](#) for the year 2020; to give time for discussions at deanery meetings and consider input and ideas on the possibility of changing the structure of the Society of St. Simeon and St. Anna.

Therefore, we will not be accepting nominations to the Society of [St. Simeon and St. Anna](#) in 2020.

The Society of St. Simeon and St. Anna’s Rule of Life and latest list of members can be found on the diocesan website.

Nominations for Diocesan Committees/Commission Positions By Suzanne Krull

The deanery meetings are where we begin the nomination process for the diocesan committees/ commission positions that we will be elected at the 2020 Diocesan Convention, October 1-3, 2020 hosted by St. Matthew's, Fairbanks. The deanery meeting dates are **Arctic Coast Deanery, February 13- 16; Interior Deanery, April 23-25; South Central Deanery, May 2; Southeast Deanery, May 14- 16.**

Summary of the positions open for election/appointment:

Commission on Ministry:

Arctic Coast Clergy (elected, deanery nomination required)

Interior Lay (elected, deanery nomination required)

Vocational Deacon ([appointed by Bishop](#))

Standing Committee:

Seat #1 Arctic Coast Lay (elected, deanery nomination required)

Seat #2 Interior Clergy (elected, deanery nomination required)

Seat #3 Southeast Clergy (elected, deanery nomination required)

Disciplinary Board:

Seat D Lay (any deanery, elected)

Seat G Clergy (any deanery, elected)

FIT Committee (Faith Into Tomorrow Endowment):

Seat A Lay ([any deanery, elected](#))

Seat #1 (appointed by Bishop)

Please prayerful consider these positions and bring your nominations to your deanery meeting. We ask that a Nominee Profile Form be completed and submitted for each nominee. For more information and a copy of the Nominee Profile Form go to the diocesan web-site, www.episcopalak.org, under the Convention & Clergy Conference section.

Listed below are brief descriptions of the committees with open seats and the commitment needed for each.

Commission on Ministry:

Summary of Responsibilities: Assist the bishop in matters pertaining to the needs for the Ordained Ministry including enlistment and selection of persons for the Ministry, and in the guidance and pastoral care of all Postulants and Candidates for Holy Orders, Deacons and Priests, administering examinations required by Canon for Ordination and continuing education. Assist the bishop in challenging, training, and providing continuing education of the Laity for its ministry.

Commitment needed: attend regular teleconference (10-12 annually), receive and disburse documents (preferably electronically), meet face to face for a 2-3 day meeting at least once a year.

Standing Committee:

Summary of Responsibilities: Serve as a Council of Advice to the Bishop. Exercise Ecclesiastical Authority in the absence or disability of the Bishop. Act as the reviewing body in the selection, examination, and ordination of persons for Holy Orders. Advise and consent to the purchase, construction, encumbrance, and disposition of real property of the Diocese. Implement actions assigned by the Convention of the Diocese, including the regular review and oversight of the budget.

(Nominations Continued)

Commitment needed: attend regular teleconference (6-8 annually), receive and disburse

documents (preferably electronically), meet face to face for a 2-3 day meeting at least twice a year.

Disciplinary Board:

Summary of Responsibilities: The Disciplinary Board handles complaints and cases of clergy misconduct and other matters set forth in Title IV of the Canons of the Episcopal Church including the Trial of any Priest or Deacon of the Diocese.

Commitment needed: Be available to meet via teleconference and/or in person should a case/need present itself. Unless there is an active case this committee typically does not meet.

FIT (Faith Into Tomorrow Endowment) Committee:

Summary of Responsibilities: Oversee the on-going grants and operating budget funding provided by the FIT Endowment. Manage the granting process including distributing, advertising, and evaluating annual grant applications for the multiple grant cases. Review the spending allocation annually and make recommendations for approval to the Standing Committee.

Commitment needed: attend regular teleconference (4-6 annually) , receive and disburse documents (preferably electronically), meet face to face for a 2-3 day meeting at least once a year.

St. Simeon/St. Anna Society Nominees: Suspended for 2020

Deanery meetings are also the time & place to bring your nominee(s) for Society of St. Simeon and St. Anna. As your congregation prepares for this year's deanery meeting please take some time to select the nominee(s) you may have for the Society of St. Simeon and St. Anna. A list of current members of the Society and a nomination form can be found on the diocesan web-site www.episcopalak.org , under directory.

Last Year's Convention Minutes

The 2019 Convention Minutes have been approved by the Standing Committee and are available on the diocesan web-site, www.episcopalak.org ,under the Convention & Clergy Conference section.

Sustain Island Home:
A Carbon Tracker for Your Household
By Caroline Malseed

Do you know how much carbon you and the members of your household emit in the course of your daily life? What impact does your combined home heating, utility usage, transportation, and other activity have on “this fragile earth, our island home”? Would you like to find ways to reduce your carbon output?

The Episcopal Church has created a carbon tracker for individuals and families to measure their carbon output and find ways to reduce it. With the tool you can also set goals, even create teams, as well as measure what impact persons in the church—or anyone who uses the carbon tracker—are having together to reduce carbon output together.

Here’s how you do it:

Log on to www.sustainislandhome.org.

Select your Diocese (or State, in our case Alaska), city, and congregation.

Create a page for yourself with your e-mail and selecting a password.

Follow the instructions! Measure what your current carbon output is and set goals to reduce your output. Some of the steps are challenging, others a lot less so. You will see what steps you have chosen will reduce your carbon output, and by how much, and even how much money you will save in a year.

Log back in on a regular basis so that you can see how you are doing; how others are doing; and what new goals you can select.

2019 Parochial Reports By Lynnette Winfrey-Frank

All Parochial Reports should be filed online if you have access to the internet. The deadline is March 1, 2020. If you do not have access to the internet, please fill out the forms, then send to the diocesan office and I will enter the information here. To file your parochial report online or to download the pdf hard copies of the directions and forms, go to the website <https://episcopalchurch.org/research/forms-and-instructions> .

We are hoping for a 100% return. If you have any questions or need assistance [please email](#) or call Lynnette Winfrey-Frank at 1-800-478-3043.

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Things to Know By Melissa Ward

Coming Soon!

We have had a new website designed and it is almost ready to launch! As soon as it is ready, I will be sending emails to give instructions on how to sign up on the site to receive the news letter and letters from the Bishop. So Keep an eye out for that exciting news !

Have a wonderful Day!

Melissa Ward

