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**Diocesan community to
celebrate together on
Pentecost Eve, June 11**

Put on something red, gather friends, family and members of your congregation and join the bishops and the whole diocesan community for a festival vigil to end the Easter season as gloriously as it began: This liturgical celebration of the diocese's diversity of people, communities, cultures and generations takes place on **Pentecost Eve, Saturday, June 11, 7 p.m.**, at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul (138 Tremont Street) in Boston. The Rev. Edwin Johnson, Urban Resident and Assistant Rector of St. James's Church in Cambridge, will preach, and there will be drumming, dancing, singing and prayer in many languages. Come celebrate God's gift of the Holy Spirit.

FOR INFORMATION: The Rev. Leslie Sterling, St. Bartholomew's Church, Cambridge (617-249-0537, ext. 1); ammalestie@gmail.com.

**Cederholms to host
Clergy Family Picnic in
Arlington**

Clergy families, especially those with young children, are invited to the **annual Clergy Family Picnic** on *Saturday, June 11, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.*, at the [Bethany House of Prayer](#) (181 Appleton Street) in Arlington. Bishop Bud and Ruth Ann Cederholm join Bethany House and the sisters of the Order of St. Anne in hosting this time of refreshment and fun with family and friends, including garden and art activities, a treasure hunt, singing and food. It takes place rain or shine; food and beverages provided.

RSVP by June 6 (including number and ages of children attending) to: Bethany House of Prayer (781-648-2433 or bethanyretreats@verizon.net).

**BCH Center seeks
new interim executive
director**

Interim executive director Kelsey Young on May 24 offered her resignation to the Barbara C. Harris Camp and Conference Center Board of Directors, effective June 24, to take a new position at Rider University in Lawrenceville, N.J.

"As the center's guest services manager and then its conference center director over the past four and a half years, Kelsey has been the face of hospitality for our many diocesan and outside groups, and she has managed the center with poise and expertise since stepping in as interim executive director last November," the Rev. Canon Mally Lloyd said in response to the announcement. "We are sorry to see her go and we wish her well in her new responsibilities."

The board will seek an interim executive director to oversee operations at the center, with a bias toward conference center expertise. **Job descriptions for the interim and permanent executive director positions will be posted soon** at www.diomass.org (see "Employment" under "Resources for Congregations & Clergy").

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Interim camp director Matt Lindeman is in place to oversee summer camp as the season officially begins this month.

Questions about the center and operations may be directed to the board chairperson, the Rev. Mary Scott Wagner (781-944-1572 or rectorgoodshepherd@gmail.com). Questions about job descriptions and application process may be directed to diocesan human resources manager Lynn Clark (617-482-4826, ext. 578 or lclark@diomass.org).

New dean appointed for Taunton River Deanery

The bishops have appointed **the Rev. David Milam**, Rector of the Church of Our Saviour in Middleborough, as dean of the Taunton River Deanery, effective July 1. He succeeds the Rev. Rebecca Brown, who is resigning as rector of St. Mark's Church in Foxboro to accept a call to the Diocese of Colorado. The bishops offer their gratitude for the leadership of both and their willingness to serve.

Preparations begin for Diocesan Convention: Updated e-mail addresses needed by June 24

Preliminary information about Diocesan Convention will be sent electronically in July to all clergy, delegates and lay leadership for whom there are e-mail addresses on file. Delegates whose e-mail address has changed since their congregation's annual meeting and clergy whose e-mail has changed since the publication of the diocesan directory in March should e-mail their updated contact information by June 24 to loism@diomass.org.

Sept. 9 is deadline for resolutions, nominations and reports

This year's **Diocesan Convention will take place Friday-Saturday, Nov. 4-5** at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul (138 Tremont Street) in Boston. **All resolutions, nominations for diocesan elections, proposed constitutional and canonical amendments and committee reports are due in the Office of Convention and Council by Friday, Sept. 9.**

Delegate forums scheduled for Oct. 12, 13, 18 & 19

Pre-Diocesan Convention forums will be held in October, offering an important opportunity for learning and discussion about the issues and business to come before the convention, including resolutions and the proposed budget. Forums are scheduled to take place from **7 to 9 p.m. on: Wednesday, Oct. 12** at St. Mary's Church (258 Concord Street) in Newton Lower Falls; **Thursday, Oct. 13** at Christ Church (149 Court Street) in Plymouth; **Tuesday, Oct. 18** at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul (138 Tremont Street) in Boston; and **Wednesday, Oct. 19** at Trinity Church (124 River Road) in Topsfield.
FOR INFORMATION: Lois Murphey, Office of Convention and Council (617-482-4826, ext. 406); loism@diomass.org.

Summer hours at diocesan and cathedral offices begin July 1

Beginning July 1, summer hours at the diocesan and cathedral offices at 138 Tremont Street in Boston will be **Monday-Thursday, 9 am.-5 p.m.**, with staff members working extended hours those days. The offices will be closed on Fridays. Regular office hours resume on Sept. 6.

**Save the date:
Resource Day is Oct. 1**

The annual **Resource Day** will be held on *Saturday, Oct. 1, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.*, at Bentley University in Waltham. This day of workshops offers something for nearly everyone in congregational leadership and ministry, covering topics ranging from stewardship, youth ministry and education to communications, outreach, congregational development and financial and business practices. A save-the-date flier is available [here](#). Online registration will open in August via www.diomass.org (see Oct. 1 under “Events”).
FOR INFORMATION: Amy Cook, Resource Center (617-482-4826, ext. 645); acook@diomass.org.

Safe Church Training opportunities make the church safer for all

Safe Church Training sessions are schedule on these *Saturdays, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.*: **Sept. 10** at Trinity Church (81 Elm Street) in Concord; **Sept. 17** at St. Paul’s Church (390 Main Street) in North Andover; and **Oct. 1** at St. Peter’s Church (838 Massachusetts Avenue) in Cambridge. Registration is required 14 days prior to the training date and can be done online via www.diomass.org [here](#) (or see “Training & Learning” under “Resources for Congregations & Clergy”).
FOR INFORMATION: Richard Vanderlippe, Safe Church Training coordinator (978-263-1895); rvan@aol.com or rvanderlippe@diomass.org.

Free online Safe Church Training also is available. Those who need to take the training should contact their parish clergy to receive a unique ID and password to access the program. More information is available at www.diomass.org [here](#) (or see “Training & Learning” under “Resources for Congregations & Clergy”) or from Lynn Clark, Human Resources Manager (617-482-4826, ext. 578 or lclark@diomass.org).

**DIOCESAN COUNCIL
ACTIONS:**

At its May 19 meeting the Diocesan Council:

- Heard the second of a three-part presentation from Lynn Smith on information gleaned from 2009 parochial report data.
- Elected the Rev. Todd Miller to the Executive Committee.
- Heard a report from the treasurer which included an outline of a proposed revised charter for the Financial Advisory Committee.
- Heard a report from the Assessment Coordinating Committee.
- Learned of Bishop Shaw’s plan to set up a series of conversations during the next year that will address issues raised by recent discussion of health insurance cost coverage for clergy and lay employees.

Next Diocesan Council Meeting: *Thursday, June 9, 6-8:30 p.m.*, in Sproat Hall at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul (138 Tremont Street) in Boston.

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JOB POSTINGS:

Go to www.diomass.org
(Resources for Congregations &
Clergy > [Employment](#)).

Among the jobs currently posted on the diocesan Web site are: two positions on the diocesan staff—[canon for congregations](#) and [administrative assistant for development](#); [parish administrator](#) at Emmanuel Church in Boston; [organist-choir director](#) at St. Mark's Church in Westford; [choirmaster and organist](#) at St. Cyprian's Church in Roxbury; [administrative assistant](#) at St. John's Church in Westwood; [organist-choirmaster](#) at the Church of the Holy Trinity in South Weymouth; [schola director and youth music minister](#) at All Saints Parish in Brookline; [Web site maintenance position](#) at the Emmanuel Center at Emmanuel Church in Boston; [administrative assistant](#) at St. Andrew's Church in Framingham; and [organist-choir director](#) at St. Andrew's Church in Hanover.

**PARISH SEARCH
& CALL REPORT**

Go to www.diomass.org for
details (Resources for Congrega-
tions & Clergy > Congregation &
Clergy Support > [Clergy Deploy-
ment/Transition Ministry](#)).

Communication regarding
deployment and parish transi-
tions should be directed to the
Rev. Canon Cynthia Hubbard
(617/482-4826, ext. 400 or
chubbard@diomass.org).

CHURCHES IN SELF-STUDY:

AUBURNDALE, Parish of the Messiah
RANDOLPH, Trinity Church

CHURCHES RECEIVING NAMES:

MARBLEHEAD, St. Andrew's Church
MILTON, St. Michael's Church

CHURCHES NO LONGER RECEIVING NAMES:

ARLINGTON, Church of Our Saviour
CAMBRIDGE, St. Peter's Church
GLOUCESTER, St. John's Church
MEDFIELD, Church of the Advent
ROXBURY, St. Cyprian's Church

OTHER CLERGY POSITIONS:

ANDOVER, Christ Church: Assistant. Contact the Rev. Jeff Gill
(jgill@christchurchandover.org).
SUDBURY, St. Elizabeth's Church: Assistant (half-time).
Contact the Rev. Barbara Williamson
(barbara_williamson@st-elizabeths.org).
WELLESLEY, St. Andrew's Church: Assistant. Contact the Rev.
Edie Dolnikowski (ewd@standrewswellesley.org).

NEXT fyi:

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submission deadline for the July 6 issue is **Wednesday, June 29
at noon**. E-mail submissions to tjs@diomass.org.

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