



Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

The Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts

**Advent 2026
through
Pentecost Season 2026**



The Cathedral Church
of Saint Paul
A House of Prayer for All People

Dear friends in Christ,

Prayer does not work like a vending machine. Sometimes I wish it did! Make your request, and - presto! - results are visible. But God knows more than we do what will bring reconciliation, peace and justice. God is always at work in, through, around, and despite us, and in prayer, we are invited to lift our hands and voices in trust. We are transformed and knit more closely together with one another and our Savior, who is our model for prayer.

What a grace it is to be called to pray for one another! In this time of widespread isolation and division, our prayer reminds us of our unity, corrects our misguided belief that we have to go it alone, and nudges us back from the precipice of fear. We have one another. We are one church in many places in Eastern Massachusetts.

Thank you for your prayers for one another and for your cathedral, whose vocation it is to remind you of all of this. May this diocese, through its people and ministries, manifest welcome, courage, justice, and joy in the year ahead!

Faithfully,

(The Very Rev.) Amy McCreath
Dean, Cathedral Church of St. Paul

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Note: This Cycle of Prayer is arranged alphabetically by Deanery

Sunday, November 30, 2025

The First Sunday of Advent

Churches of the Alewife Deanery

Church of Our Saviour, Arlington
St. John's Church, Arlington
Order of St. Anne & Bethany House of Prayer, Arlington
The Standing Committee
Brotherhood of St. Gregory

Sunday, December 7, 2025

The Second Sunday of Advent

Churches of the Alewife Deanery

St. Paul's Church, Bedford
All Saints' Church, Belmont
St. Mark's Church, Burlington
The Officers of the Diocese
Racial Justice Commission

Sunday, December 14, 2025

The Third Sunday of Advent

Churches of the Alewife Deanery

Christ Church, Cambridge
St. Bartholomew's Church, Cambridge
St. James' Church, Cambridge
St. Peter's Church, Cambridge
Diocesan Disciplinary Board

Sunday, December 21, 2025

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Churches of the Alewife Deanery

Episcopal Chaplaincy at Harvard, Cambridge
Lutheran Episcopal Chaplaincy at Mass. Institute of Technology, Cambridge
The Society of St. John the Evangelist, Cambridge
Hospital Chaplaincies & Healthcare Chaplains

Sunday, December 28, 2025

First Sunday after Christmas

Churches of the Alewife Deanery

Church of Our Redeemer, Lexington
St. James' Church, Somerville
Christ Church, Waltham
Congregation of St. Peter at Christ Episcopal Church, Waltham
Church of the Good Shepherd, Watertown

Sunday, January 4, 2026

The Second Sunday after Christmas

Churches of the Boston Harbor Deanery

Christ Church (Old North), Boston
Church of the Advent, Boston
Charles River Episcopal Co-Housing Endeavor (CRECHE)

Sunday, January 11, 2026

The First Sunday after the Epiphany

Churches of the Boston Harbor Deanery

St. John & St. James Church, Roxbury (Boston)
Ecclesia Ministries and common cathedral, Boston
Hospitality Homes
The Diocesan Staff
The Massachusetts Council of Churches

Sunday, January 18, 2026

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Churches of the Boston Harbor Deanery

St. John's Church, Charlestown (Boston)
Emmanuel Church, Boston
St. Augustine's & St. Martin's Church, Boston
Greater Boston Interfaith Organization

Sunday, January 25, 2026

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Churches of the Boston Harbor Deanery

St. Stephen's Church, Boston
Trinity Church, Boston
B-SAFE
Non-parochial clergy

Sunday, February 1, 2026

Presentation of Jesus in the Temple: Candlemas

Churches of the Boston Harbor Deanery

St. Mark's Church, Dorchester (Boston)
St. Mary's Church, Dorchester (Boston)
Epiphany School, Dorchester
The Diocesan Council

Sunday, February 8, 2026

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Churches of the Boston Harbor Deanery

St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain (Boston)
Northeastern University Lutheran Episcopal Campus Ministry
St. Cyprian's Church, Roxbury (Boston)
Building Bridges Ministries
Retired Clergy

Sunday, February 15, 2026

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Churches of the Boston Harbor Deanery

Our Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Boston
The Crossing
MANNA Community
The Cathedral Chapter
Episcopal Boston Chinese Ministry
Postulants and Candidates for Holy Orders

Sunday, February 22, 2026

The First Sunday in Lent

Churches of the Cape & Islands Deanery

St. Mary's Church, Barnstable
St. Peter's-on-the-Canal, Buzzards Bay
St. Paul's Church, Nantucket
Congregations: Wardens, Treasurers & Clerks

Sunday, March 1, 2026

Churches of the Cape & Islands Deanery

St. Andrew's Chapel, Hyannis Port
Christ Church, Plymouth
St. David's Church, South Yarmouth
Diocesan Congregational Consultants

The Second Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 8, 2026

Churches of the Cape & Islands Deanery

St. Christopher's Church, Chatham
St. Andrew's Church, Edgartown
St. Peter's Church, Osterville
Union of Black Episcopalians

The Third Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 15, 2026

Churches of the Cape & Islands Deanery

St. Barnabas' Church, Falmouth
Christ Church, Harwich Port
Grace Church, Vineyard Haven
For all churches in the Diocese closed or merged

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 22, 2026

Churches of the Cape & Islands Deanery

Trinity Chapel, Oak Bluffs
Church of the Holy Spirit, Orleans
Boston Episcopal Charitable Society

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 29, 2026

Churches of the Cape & Islands Deanery

Church of St. Mary of the Harbor, Provincetown
St. John's Church, Sandwich
Ministries with Older Adults

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 5, 2026

Churches of the Cape & Islands Deanery

Church of the Good Shepherd, Wareham
St. James the Fisherman Church, Wellfleet
Church of the Messiah, Woods Hole (Falmouth)

Easter Day

Sunday, April 12, 2026

Churches of the Charles River Deanery

All Saints Parish, Brookline
Church of Our Saviour, Brookline
St. Paul's Church, Brookline
Boston University Chaplain, Boston
The Church Home Society

The Second Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 19, 2026

The Third Sunday of Easter

Churches of the Charles River Deanery

Church of the Redeemer, Chestnut Hill (Newton)
Boston College Campus Ministry, Chestnut Hill
St. Dunstan's Church, Dover
Christ Church, Needham

Sunday, April 26, 2026

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Churches of the Charles River Deanery

Grace Church, Newton
St. John's Church, Newtonville
St. Mary's Church, Newton Lower Falls
Parish of St. Paul, Newton Highlands
Prison Ministries

Sunday, May 3, 2026

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Churches of the Charles River Deanery

Trinity Parish of Newton Center, Newton Centre
Parish of the Good Shepherd, Waban (Newton)
St. Andrew's Church, Wellesley
Allston Abbey, Boston

Sunday, May 19, 2026

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Churches of the Concord River Deanery

Church of the Good Shepherd, Acton
St. Andrew's Church, Ayer
Trinity Church, Concord
St. Andrew's Church, Framingham
Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society

Sunday, May 17, 2026

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

Churches of the Concord River Deanery

St. John's Chapel, Groton School, Groton
St. Michael's Church, Holliston
St. Paul's Church, Hopkinton
St. Luke's Church, Hudson

Sunday, May 24, 2026

The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday

Churches of the Concord River Deanery

St. Anne's in-the-Fields Church, Lincoln
St. Paul's Church, Natick
Trinity Chapel, Shirley
St. Mark's Church, Southborough
Congregations: Acolytes

Sunday, May 31, 2026

First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday

Churches of the Concord River Deanery

St. Mark's Chapel, St. Mark's School, Southborough
St. Elizabeth's Church, Sudbury
St. Peter's Church, Weston
The Ministry of the Diocesan Altar Guild and all Altar Guilds
Diocesan Budget Committee

Sunday, June 7, 2026

The Second Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 5)

Churches of the Merrimack Valley Deanery

St. James' Church, Amesbury
Christ Church, Andover
All Saints' Church, Chelmsford
St. James' Church, Groveland
Trinity Church, Haverhill

Sunday, June 14, 2026

The Third Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 6)

Churches of the Merrimack Valley Deanery

Grace Church, Lawrence
Esperanza Academy, Lawrence
St. Anne's Church, Lowell
St. John's Church, Lowell
Congregations: Lectors, Worship Leaders, Eucharistic Ministers & Visitors

Sunday, June 21, 2026

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 7)

Churches of the Merrimack Valley Deanery

St. Andrew's Church, Methuen
St. Paul's Church, Newburyport
St. Paul's Church, North Andover
Merrimack Valley Project
Deacons

Sunday, June 28, 2026

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 8)

Churches of the Merrimack Valley Deanery

Frank D. Ashburn Chapel/Brooks School, North Andover
St. Anne's Church, (North) Billerica
All Saints' Church, West Newbury
St. Mark's Church, Westford
Episcopal City Mission

Sunday, July 5, 2026

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 9)

Churches of the Mt. Hope-Buzzards Bay Deanery

St. Aidan's Chapel, Dartmouth
St. Peter's Church, Dartmouth
Congregations: Organists, Choirs and other Church Musicians
Society of the Companions of the Holy Cross
Episcopal Chaplaincy at the University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth

Sunday, July 12, 2026

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 10)

Churches of the Mt. Hope-Buzzards Bay Deanery

Church of the Holy Spirit, Fall River
St. Luke's Church, Fall River
St. Gabriel's Church, Marion
St. Philip of Bethsaida, Mattapoisett
Clergy spouses and families

Sunday, July 19, 2026

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 11)

Churches of the Mt. Hope-Buzzards Bay Deanery

Grace Church, New Bedford

St. Andrew's Church, New Bedford

St. Martin's Church, New Bedford

Society for the Relief of Widows, Widowers and Orphans of Episcopal Clergy

Society for the Relief of Aged or Disabled Episcopal Clergy

Sunday, July 26, 2026

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 12)

Churches of the Mt. Hope-Buzzards Bay Deanery

Church of Our Saviour, Somerset

Christ Church, Swansea

Young Adults Ministry

Diocesan Youth Leadership Council

Barbara C. Harris Camp & Conference Center

Sunday, August 2, 2026

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 13)

Churches of the Mystic Valley Deanery

St. Luke's Church/Iglesia de San Lucas, Chelsea

Grace Church Federated, East Boston

South Sudanese Congregation

Hispanic Ministry Committee

Creation Care Justice Network

Sunday, August 9, 2026

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 14)

Churches of the Mystic Valley Deanery

St. Paul's Church, Lynnfield

St. Paul's Church, Malden

Grace Church, Medford

Trinity Parish, Melrose

Bishop Alan M. Gates African Ministry Center

Sunday, August 16, 2026

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 15)

Churches of the Mystic Valley Deanery

Church of the Good Shepherd, Reading

St. John's Church, Saugus

Emmanuel Church, Wakefield

The Third Order, Society of St. Francis

Congregations: Parish Historians

Sunday, August 23, 2026

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 16)

Churches of the Mystic Valley Deanery

St. Elizabeth's Church, Wilmington

Parish of the Epiphany, Winchester

St. John's Church, Winthrop

Trinity Church, Woburn

Congregations: Sextons and Custodians

Sunday, August 30, 2026

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 17)

Churches of the Neponset River Deanery

Trinity Church, Canton
Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham
St. Paul's Church, Dedham
Parish of All Saints, Dorchester (Boston)
Epiphany Church, Walpole
Emmanuel Church, West Roxbury (Boston)

Sunday, September 6, 2026

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 18)

Churches of the Neponset River Deanery

Christ Church, Hyde Park (Boston)
Iglesia de San Juan, Hyde Park (Boston)
Church of the Holy Spirit, Mattapan (Boston)
Church of the Advent, Medfield
Daughters of the King and Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Sunday, September 13, 2026

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 19)

Churches of the Neponset River Deanery

Christ Church, Medway
St. Michael's Church, Milton
Church of Our Saviour, Milton
St. John's Church, Westwood
Trinity Church, Stoughton,
Trustees of Donations

Sunday, September 20, 2026

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 20)

Churches of the North Shore Deanery

St. Peter's Church, Beverly
St. John's Church, Beverly Farms
All Saints Episcopal Church of the North Shore, Danvers
St. John's Church, Gloucester
Essex County Community Organization (ECCO)

Sunday, September 27, 2026

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 21)

Churches of the North Shore Deanery

Ascension Memorial Church, Ipswich
St. Stephen's Memorial Church, Lynn
Emmanuel Chapel, Manchester-by-the-Sea
Wyman Memorial Church of St. Andrew, Marblehead
Ministries with Homeless Persons and Refugees

Sunday, October 4, 2026

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 22)

Churches of the North Shore Deanery

St. Michael's Church, Marblehead
St. Mary's Church, Rockport
Grace Church, Salem
St. Peter' Church/Iglesia de San Pedro, Salem
Congregations: Secretaries and Administrators

Sunday, October 11, 2026

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 23)

Churches of the North Shore Deanery

Christ Church, South Hamilton
Church of the Holy Name, Swampscott
Trinity Church, Topsfield
Asian and Pacific Islander Americans (APIA) Ministry Network

Sunday, October 18, 2026

The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 24)

Churches of the South Shore Deanery

Trinity Church, Rockland
St. Stephen's Church, Cohasset
St. Luke's Church, Scituate
Church of the Holy Nativity, South Weymouth
All Saints' Church, Whitman
Commission on Ministry

Sunday, October 25, 2026

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 25)

Churches of the South Shore Deanery

Parish of St. John the Evangelist, Hingham
St. John's Church, Holbrook
Emmanuel Church, Braintree
Grace Chapel, Brockton
St. Andrew's Church, Hanover
Global Mission Partnerships Program

Sunday, November 1, 2026

Feast of All Saints (Proper 26)

Churches of the South Shore Deanery

Church of St. John the Evangelist, Duxbury
Society of St. Margaret, Duxbury
Trinity Church, Marshfield
Christ Church, Quincy
Parish of St. Chrysostom, Quincy
Trinity Church, Randolph

Sunday, November 8, 2026

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 27)

Churches of the Taunton River Deanery

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, the Attleboros
St. Mark's Church, Foxborough
St. John's Church, Franklin
The Diocesan Convention
Congregational Chapters of the Episcopal Church Women

Sunday, November 15, 2026

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 28)

Churches of the Taunton River Deanery

Bristol Trinity Episcopal Church, North Easton
St. Thomas' Church, Taunton
Trinity Church, Wrentham
Deputies to Provincial Synod

Sunday, November 22, 2026

Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King

Churches of the Taunton River Deanery

Trinity Church, Bridgewater

Church of Our Saviour, Middleborough

Order of St. Luke

Deans of Deaneries

Deanery Co-Conveners



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