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## St. Thomas Traditional Anglican Church

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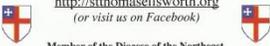
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### Lententide 2016



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Member of the Diocese of the Northeast,  
Anglican Church in America

Services @ 10:00 a.m., Sunday

373 Bangor Road, Ellsworth, Maine

-Located on Rt. 1A, 3.5 miles northwest of the  
junction of Rtes. 1 and 1A-

- Experience meaningful worship
- Connect with the time-honored practices of the Church
- Discover answers in Holy Scripture
- Hear practical and informative preaching
- Join others sharing these same worship goals

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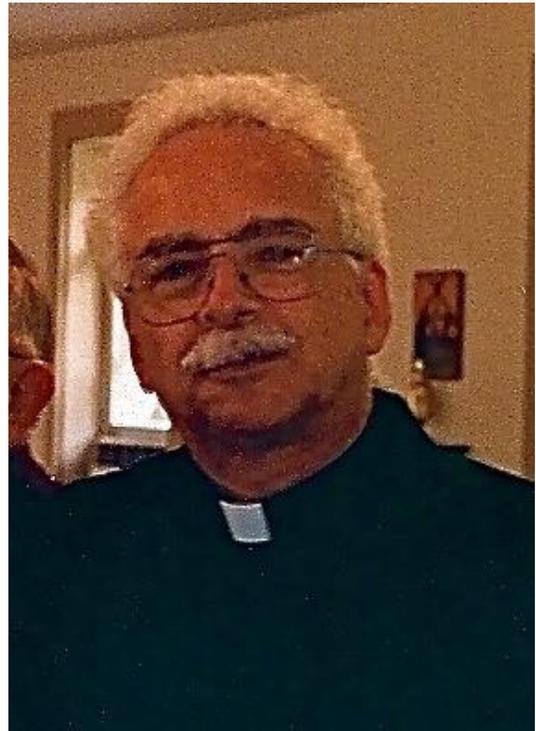
"Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness."  
(Psalm 69:9)

-Using the 1928 Book of Common Prayer-  
-Fr. W. Edwin Kalish, Rector-

## Outreach Flyers Now Available

Updated outreach flyers are now available for anyone wanting to help place them in local area hotel and motels. Please let someone on the vestry know how many you take and where you leave them. An effort is being made to have St. Thomas Anglican Church listed in the resource notebooks in each hotel room.

## Fr. Ed Kalish To Be Installed As Rector of St. Thomas



After many months of self-study, introspection, and prayer, this past January, Dave Simmons, our senior warden, on behalf of the vestry, sent a letter to the Bishop requesting that Father Ed Kalish be our priest.

Bishop Marsh has replied:

"It is my pleasure and joy to affirm your request and I do so wholeheartedly. I look forward to formally installing Fr. Kalish as rector at some point in the future. In the meantime, know of my prayers for you and for the faithful people of St. Thomas.

Happy parishioners and friends have posted their reactions on Facebook:

"Thanks Be to God!"

## Schedule of Holy Week Services

-Good Friday Service with Stations of the Cross:  
1 p.m., March 25<sup>th</sup>

-Easter Vigil: 4 p.m., Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>

-Easter Sunday Service: 10 a.m.





dead mean to me? Many things. (1) I am brand new!: *Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away ; behold, all things are become new* (2 Corinthians 5:17). (2) I too am raised: *[We] are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead* (Colossians 2:12). (3) I will inherit eternal life: *... for the trumpet shall sound , and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed* (1 Corinthians 15:52). Herein lies all that will ever mean anything to me.



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## **Fr. Kalish Completes Chaplaincy Intern Program at EMMC**

*Here are some of Fr. Kalish’s thoughts in regard his recently completed Chaplaincy Intern Program (CIP) at Eastern Maine Medical Center, Bangor (September, 2015 through February, 2016):*

...A family in crisis: Tearful parents, nearly hysterical, wait outside a trauma room filled with medical personnel, as a desperate attempt is made to assist an unconscious young woman in critical condition from an auto accident.

...A couple faced with the inexplicable: a hard working farm woman whose neck vertebrae have been attacked by a vicious tumor. She wears a “halo”, and is on palliative care. “Why has this happened? I just don’t understand it,” she sighs, as her husband sits by.

...An elderly patient in cardiac intensive care: “I know the Lord spared me. And I know there’s a reason”.

How does a chaplain know what to say or do? He has such short interactions with lives he’ll likely never encounter again... He prays desperately as he enters patient rooms: “Lord, make use of me here in some capacity.” It is holy ground. This experience has been a life changer for me.

On top of patient visits has been class work and reading: learning the ropes of appropriate, effective contact with patients. The “icing on the cake” has been the Christian fellowship with the instructors and other student. The supervisor, Rev. Rex Garrett, insisted that we find many ways to get to know each other deeply.

I am grateful both to Rex and to EMMC for these past several months of CIP. I am in hopes of continuing to use these skills regularly and often.



## **What is “Clericus”?**

Clericus is the gathering of a diocese, under the leadership of the diocesan bishop, for the purpose of mutual encouragement, communication, and other ministry.

Fr. Ed and Linda attended the March Clericus, held on March 10th and 11th at Graymoor, a Catholic retreat Center in Garrison, NY. Their viewpoint follows:

It was a very meaningful gathering, as we were able to spend time with several of the clergy who have become dear to us. One of the Catholic friars gave two excellent meditations on evangelism; and we are excited that two of our diocesan deacons took and passed their oral canonical exams and will be ordained, hopefully in the near future.

It’s always a very long trip, but it’s definitely worthwhile. We did miss our traveling com-

panions, Fr. Frank and Ada Gray, and Dcn. Kevin, however.

Last December, our deacon Kevin Kelly attended the quarterly Clericus in Westfield, MA. He traveled with Fr. Sam Logan, Deacon Al Ryan, and Patrick Desrosiers. His summary of that session follows:

At that time, Bishop Marsh gave an update on news from the Traditional Anglican Church in several nations. Afterward we had an outstanding speech on evangelism by the highly gifted Michael McKinnon-Dane of New Hampshire. His speech was very enthusiastically accepted. He spoke of the need to assess current trends in church-going, especially among the young, the need to reach out to the unchurched, and the need for motivation.

The next morning included a presentation by Bishop John Vaughan, bishop of the Southeast, also on the topic of evangelism, entitled, "Evangelism: Leading by Example." Both he and Mr. McKinnon-Dane spoke of the need to involve the laity alongside the clergy in the call to evangelize.

Friday morning also included celebration of the Holy Eucharist, and our deacon Kevin Kelly was honored to serve as deacon at this celebration

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## St. Thomas' Wedding Gift to Mihandas

. The family of Fr. Amos Mihanda has announced that their daughter Florence will be married in Portland on March 19. There will be a second ceremony in Tucson, AZ, the home of the groom, Joseph, where the couple will reside.

Under the supervision of Shirley Landmesser, a patchwork afghan has been completed and sent to them. Our church provided the yarn, and six knitters (Karen, Linda, Margie, Pao, Pat, and Shirley) made

the squares, which Shirley crocheted together, adding the edging.



The story of our friendship with Fr. Mihanda and his family can be found in our November 2014 newsletter.

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## International Anglican Fellowship Sends Letter of Acknowledgement and Plaque



The vestry of St. Thomas has voted to become sustaining members of the International Anglican Fellowship. The IAF is the official missionary outreach ministry of the worldwide Traditional Anglican Communion, whose mission is to serve as a conduit for financial help for missionary work and church-building in places like Guatemala, India, South Africa, Zambia, and the United States.). It says, "Current projects are ongoing in India, Africa, Latin and Central America. Over \$27,000 has been disbursed during the first eight months of 2015. The list of sustaining members continues to grow."

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